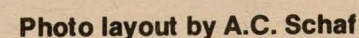


**May 12, 1972**



*Hot off the presses;  
post paper makes debut*

The year is 1972 and with this publication the new *Star Presidian* begins an era of modern Army journalism on this installation.



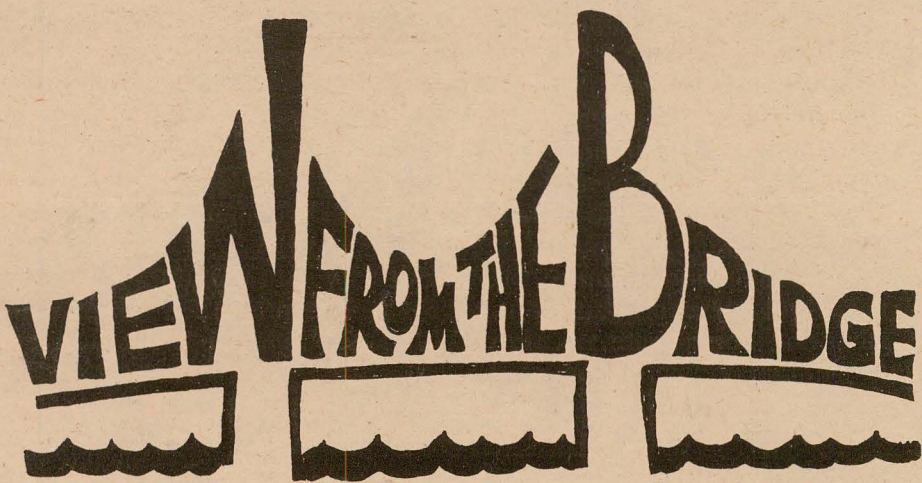
# Your views are news...

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Your Views Are News is your voice in print. This is your section of the paper, a chance to express your opinions, gripes and comments. Either send your letters to the newsroom or answer questions asked by our roving reporter. Your letters and comments will be screened and those with the most interest to the majority of Presidio personnel will be printed. Letters should be limited to one typed or handwritten page and submitted to the newsroom not later than Monday prior to publication. All letters must be signed to include your name, rank, unit and phone. However, upon request comments and letters will be printed anonymously. Please send letters to Star Presidian, Information Office, Bldg. 87.

*What type of information and articles would you like to see in the new Star Presidian?*

I think there should definitely be a letters to the editor column and a column where an officer or someone can answer questions and problems posed by Presidio personnel. A small bulletin with schedules of groups that are playing at Winterland, Berkeley, and other such places, as information like this is presently not posted anywhere on post. As far as articles are concerned, I would like to see one on hair length from an enlisted man's point of view.

Private First Class Raymond S. Sanders  
HQ. Co., USAG



## ...our views are news, too

**EDITORS NOTE:** Our Views Are News, Too is a commentary by the editorial staff of the paper, the commanding officer or a representative of this command concerning vital topics of interest to Presidio personnel.

Today is a day much like others that have gone before it with one major exception as far as those of us in the Information Office are concerned. It marks the publication of the first issue of the Star Presidian, which some of you may remember as the name of the post newspaper that ceased publication here about six years ago. This new effort is not a reincarnation of the old paper but a completely new attempt, which has simply borrowed the name, Star Presidian.

As you might imagine, its publication represents a great deal of hard work by a number of people. However, rather than simply congratulating ourselves on our efforts, it seems to us that the first View from the Bridge should say something to our prospective audience about what the Star Presidian is going to be. The most important thing in this respect is that the Star Presidian is to be your newspaper; and in keeping

### Congrats from

Congratulations on the resumption of the Star Presidian. A post newspaper is one of the best channels of communication for informing all members of the Army family of news that affects and interests them.

I am aware that the "new" Star Presidian will carry on in the award-winning tradition of its predecessor.

Lieutenant General A.D. Surles, Jr.  
Commanding General  
Sixth United States Army

with this ideal, its primary purpose is to provide interesting and useful information for you. The entire concept of the Star Presidian was developed with you in mind and we have done our best to see that it was actually published maintaining this precept.

In pursuit of your continuing involvement in the Star Presidian, we will attempt to utilize such things as a letters to the editor column, where you may voice your own opinion on a particular subject. Also, as we progress in future issues, it may be possible to publish a variety of work by interested people at the Presidio. This could include photographs, poetry, feature articles and similar items. Once again it is up to you, the reader, to make the newspaper a viable, working force by your participation in such projects.

When you get right on down to it, the Star Presidian's job, to use an overworked but useful phrase in its truest sense, will be to communicate. It will speak in a straightforward manner about whatever subject presents itself and will do so from varying points of view.

It will strive to achieve and retain credibility through good reporting and honesty in all matters that it handles. It will not be similar to a sun dial, and deal with only the bright side of the Army, for any organization of its size is bound to have difficulties. This first issue represents the initial step towards this goal, but we will continue to need your attention and assistance.

Finally, there is one thing about a newspaper; you don't have to read it. This maxim has been proved countless times on military bases throughout the world, where for one reason or another, the post

Interview key post officials and publish their opinions on timely and controversial matters. Tell how DOD and DA policy effect me locally. Discuss the Presidio's role as part of the Bay Area community.

Lieutenant Keith Tester  
DFAE

Want to know what's going on, on and off-post. Places where you can go off-post without being taken. Make it a paper written for enlisted guys not like most military papers.

Specialist Four Jay Travillion  
Co. D, 864th Engineers

Include activities military personnel can take part in off-post for reasonable prices. Profiles of enlisted men on post, accomplishments of post and its personnel, and events that take place on post. Sports, special services, golf course, and personal human interests are other things. Dig down and find out things personally about the enlisted men.

Sergeant First Class A.V. Cardaneli  
NCOIC Operations, DEPTSEC

Announce major activities up at the O Club and places off-post. Sports' features and interesting people on post make good stories. Also special stories about jobs various groups and units perform. Avoid opinion on issues such as race, drugs, etc. . . . stick to the facts.

Chief Warrant Officer Thomas E. Simonian  
6th U.S. Army Flight Detachment

Highlight post activities. Put in changes in policy that will affect the troops and the "why" of the changes.

Staff Sergeant J.T. Evans, Jr.  
HQ. Co., USAG

Make the paper something that is going to boost civilian employee's morale.

Richard Bianchi  
Self Service Supply

newspaper has just not been read. We want the Star Presidian to be a paper that you will want to read. In support of this theme we have dedicated ourselves to including material which can be of value to you, whether it be of an informative or entertaining nature. Working together, we can make it something important.

— The Staff

After the above introduction to the Presidian's basic philosophy, the following is a formal policy statement signed by the Post Commander. It establishes guidelines and priorities for photographs and events for coverage. Hopefully it will clarify our position on several matters and help to avoid any misunderstandings.

#### General

- (1) The newspaper is designed primarily to serve as a management tool of the Commander, Presidio of San Francisco. It is his medium for internal information. It also serves as a medium for internal information for tenant organizations on the Presidio and its sub-installations.
- (2) The Presidio Information Office is responsible for the preparation of the newspaper, its content, and its format.
- (3) The needs and interests of the readership will determine the balance between management material, news stories, and entertainment features.
- (4) The Information Office will be the final judge of all articles considered for publication.

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(5) All news materials submitted for publication are subject to editing, as required. Materials submitted become the property of the newspaper. Photographs may be returned on request.

(6) Material will be used according to its relative importance when compared with other material available for the same issue.

#### Editorials — Staff Columns

(1) Editorial opinion will be confined to the editorial page. Local editorials reflect the policies of the Presidio Commander and are directed toward the interests and welfare of the Army.

(2) Editorial material from sources outside the Army will be considered for publication. News material is given the following precedence for publication:

- (1) *First Priority.* News stories concerned with the local mission.
- (2) *Second Priority.* News stories concerned with supporting programs currently receiving command emphasis.
- (3) *Third Priority.* News stories concerning outstanding accomplishments by staff personnel, tenant personnel, staff sections, and tenant units.

(4) *Specialized News.* Sports, entertainment, club and women's news will be carried on a special page devoted to these subjects. Local news and regular contributors will be given consideration, but selection of stories used will be at the discretion of the Information Office.

#### Photographic Feature Stories

- (1) Same priorities as for news stories.

This policy has been reviewed and concurred by the Office of the Chief, Public Affairs, HQ Sixth United States Army.

Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr.  
Commanding Officer  
Presidio of San Francisco

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Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr.  
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George B. Grimes  
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Youth in government

# Cadet commands PSF

Pedro Andres Castillo, a 17 year-old native of Cuba spent part of April 24th as Post Commander here during Youth in Government Day.

Pedro, an ROTC Brigade Commander at San Francisco's Mission High School, had only a few hours in which to experience the many responsibilities and duties of a post commanding officer but he quickly learned that in his words "running an Army post is very much like running a small city."

During his brief visit he was given a tour of post facilities by the acting Deputy Post Commander, Colonel G.E. Robinson and then sat in on the Monday morning Command Officer's Staff Conference at Post Headquarters.

At the end of his morning as Post Commander, Pedro attended the Youth in Government Day Luncheon at the Presidio Officer's Open Mess with Col. Robinson and Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr., the Post Commanding Officer.

Pedro, his parents and sister arrived in the United States at the Port of Miami in December, 1966, with only five dollars in cash and a few articles of clothing given them by a friend, "it wasn't much but it gave us a start on a new life."

Not long after their arrival the family came to San Francisco and Pedro and his sister entered junior high school where they successfully overcame their handicap of knowing very little English. Pedro has adapted well to life here; he belongs to a number of clubs, ice skates, bowls, studies dancing and has performed in the Stanze Peterson Dance Theatre.

Last summer, he was selected to go to Boys State in Sacramento on the recommendation of his ROTC instructor. He has been in the ROTC program for the last three years and plans to continue with Senior ROTC this fall when he enters the University of San Francisco. In referring to his ROTC studies he says, "it has given me self-confidence and taught me how to get along with other students and to value the ideals which are being taught in the ROTC program."



This is dynamic training!

**Final competition in the 864th Engineer Battalion Dynamic Training Week, an all out, old fashioned tug-of-war.**

Last week's exercise was the idea of the 864th's commanding officer, Captain Harry Mellon, and combined elements of the REACH (recreation, endurance, agility, coordination, health) and Adventure Training concepts. Four platoons, dismissed from the regular post duties for that week, competed in military, engineer and readiness skills and recreational events.

The winning members of the 2nd platoon earned 1037 points out of a possible 1500 in the timed events and their "take", a three day pass in conjunction with a weekend. The losers will pull their duties. (U.S. Army photo by Sp 5 R. Read)

## Free tickets

Enter the Playboy without a key,  
See the Giants play for free,  
Visit Disneyland on a \$5 spree,  
Or hear the SF Symphony.

These are yours for the asking through the Ticket Information Service run by the Presidio Service Club.

Coordinated by Donna Buzzuto, this service obtains and provides tickets and information at little or no cost to Presidio personnel, for off-post happenings. An ID card, uniform or both can open doors to a wide range of free or discounted entertainment.

If there's a bargain to be had Donna knows about it. Keeping abreast of activities not only in and around the Bay Area, she maintains contact with the "fun" places in order to know what specials are available to the serviceman.

Donna tries to find free and discounted tickets for everyone but directs her efforts in servicing enlisted personnel.

Save a buck and Plan Some Fun by contacting the Ticket Information Service in Bldg. 125 or calling extension 2000.

Let PLAN SOME FUN highlight your special happening or hang out!



## SPORTS

**16th-18th** — Giant's series with Cincinnati starts off with a twilight doubleheader.  
**19th-21st** — Atlanta plays its first 1972 series with the Giants, Candlestick Park.

## THEATRE

**12th-31st** — Topical satire is the format of The Committee on Broadway.

## ART

**12th-31st** — From Cezanne through Picasso: 100 Drawings from the Museum of Modern Art are shown at the Legion of Honor.

## MUSIC

**12th-14th** — Western Opera Theater offers the musical bargain of the year — Dollar Opera — at the Palace of Fine Arts Theater; Sunday performances begin at 2 p.m.

## SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

**12th-17th** — The Supremes are the Fairmont Hotel's entertainers in the Venetian Room; Edie Adams' three week engagement opens on the 18th.

**14th-21st** — "Rough and Ready", with original music, is this year's Mountain play. The outdoor amphitheater high up on the slope of Mt. Tamalpais in Marin County is the unique site for this annual performance. 2 p.m.

**19th-21st** — Shrine Circus in the Civic Auditorium.

**23rd-25th** — Royal Lipizzan Stallions perform nightly, Civic Auditorium.

Dial 391-2000 for a daily report on special events and activities in and around the Bay Area.

## Lyon Tamer

Just outside the Lombard Gate at 2942 Lyon St. is an establishment that is distinguishable from other such spots in the city principally by its friendly atmosphere and reasonable prices.

Here it is possible to relax in the best tradition of the neighborhood pub and avoid the people crush and rip-off prices found in other similar locations.

Beer and wine is served exclusively. A glass of draft beer goes for thirty cents and wine for forty. Pitchers and bottled beer are also on hand.

If you were familiar with the Lyon Tamer in the past and haven't been wack recently, you'll find that the interior has been effectively redone in hardwood paneling and features the work of local artists. The total effect is one of increased closeness and congeniality.

Pool is a popular diversion here, and on Friday and Saturday nights Rich and Leo provide folk style entertainment. For those who have heard them, what little they may lack in style is easily overcome by fervor.

JBC



People watcher . . . nature lover

Gracing the Gulf Coast prior to entering the service last year, Specialist Four Kathy Trout is PSF's Soldier of the Month for March. The 19 year old Alabama native works in the Security Division of Post Headquarters and enjoys the outdoors and observing the people of San Francisco in her off-duty hours. (U.S. Army photo by Sp 5 R. Read)

# WAC is 30 years young

The Women's Army Corps will be thirty years young on Sunday. The event will not go unnoticed here, as approximately 300 officers and enlisted Wacs and their guests, representing the Presidio, Letterman General Hospital and Oakland Army Base, will join together to celebrate the anniversary.

A picnic is planned tomorrow at Lake Berryessa and one picnic coordinator, First Lieutenant Patricia Jones, Company D, executive officer says "the day promises to be filled with fun and food." Highlighting the menu will be chicken, spare ribs, hot dogs, hamburgers, liquid refreshment and all the trimmings that compliment a picnic. Among the activities planned are softball, volleyball and an old fashioned hootenanny. The lake, north of Vallejo, also provides facilities for swimming, water skiing, boating, fishing and hiking. The all day affair is expected to last from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

"You've come a long way baby" — and you're still going strong. The WAC has come a long way, since it was founded as the Women's Army Auxillary Corps May 14, 1942.





Photo by SP4 J. Coultas

## Checking it out

## All service team trains for world meet in Italy

The Armed Forces Basketball Team is currently training at the Presidio. Candidates will try out and twelve will be selected to represent the United States in the World Military Championship. The U.S. is the defending champion and has not lost a game in the last eight years. Sixteen countries will be represented in the meet to be held June 8-20 in Udine, Italy.

Candidates now in training include ten Army and three Air Force members from numerous commands around the world. It is anticipated that as the training continues the other services will be represented.

The team is coached by Hal Fischer, Presidio sports director. Workouts will be conducted seven days a week and interested parties may attend them Monday thru Friday from 10-11:15 a.m. and 1-4:30 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 1-4 p.m. Scheduled games will be conducted so watch for more announcements in the daily bulletin and the *Star Presidian*.

## PSF def·i·ni·tions

### ca·reer'

Officers are now eligible for duty-time on-the-job training through Project Transition. DA policy now provides a training period of up to 240 duty hours, or six weeks, for all officers being separated from active duty.

Only officers leaving the service for disciplinary reasons are exempt from the new policy. Now any officer who is retiring, voluntarily or involuntarily, or who is leaving active duty after a normal tour can apply for an on-the-job training program through the Presidio Project Transition office.

A further provision in the DA policy is for officers with separation dates prior to June 30. An officer may now extend his tour in order to complete a Transition course, or to begin a course, providing the extension does not exceed June 30.

Project Transition at the Presidio has approximately 100 OJT pro-

grams available and others can be established to meet individual requirements. The Transition office also maintains current job openings in the Bay Area as well as nationwide employment opportunities and trends. Confidential vocational counseling is the heart of the Transition experience and counselors are available to assist any active duty person with questions regarding occupational careers.

### cel·e·brate

Saturday, May 20 has been proclaimed Armed Forces Day for 1972. This year's theme is "Professionals for Peace," a day of tribute for the men and women serving in the American Armed Forces. Special recognition will also be given to the more than 1600 American servicemen captured or missing in action in Southeast Asia.

No special ceremonies will take

# P Sports f

## Check out post's sports checkout

Want to go camping, fishing, skiing, golfing or take part in other sports activities but just can't locate the necessary equipment? Special Services can help you out.

In building 1226, the Ft. Scott gym, there is a man who can provide you with indispensable items for these and other assorted pursuits. He is Rich Arm and describes himself as a "general laborer." However, a more accurate description of his duties would be that he does everything that has anything to do with the operation of the Ft. Scott gym; loaning gym clothes, equipment and repairing the same — a busy man.

Available for loan to Presidio, and Sixth Army active duty personnel and their dependents, are: golf, football, softball, basketball, soccer, volleyball, badminton, horseshoe and tennis equipment; poles, reels, and lines for deep-water, surf and fresh water fishing; tents; and poles, boots and skis for the snowminded. In addition, there are also three camper trailers for those who like to see the outdoors in style.

The trailers are available with a reservation of four weeks and a weekend in advance of the proposed use. A four dollar deposit is required with the reservation but is applied to the rental fee of \$4 a day. When a trailer is checked out, Mr. Arm gives a demonstration of how to set it up, take it down and use its facilities.

The trailers have a three burner range, a sink with a 12-gallon water bottle, an ice-chest and a heater and sleeps eight. Persons renting a trailer must bring their own bedding and cooking utensils. Also supplied are hitches that fit most American cars and side mirrors, required by law.

Anywhere in the continental United States is fair game for a trip. Trailers may be reserved for as long as the individual wants with the condition the reservation is in on time and does not interfere with the reservation of another.

The period of loan for all sports items, except the trailers, is 24 hours on weekdays and 72 hours on weekends. Retired military living in the Bay area are eligible to use all of the equipment except the trailers.

Hours for checkout of equipment or questions for Mr. Arm are 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday, and 1:30 to 4:15 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Telephone ext. is 2070.

## Softball season starts with round robin schedule

On May 22 the post intramural slowpitch softball competition starts a double round robin schedule with 18 teams currently entered in two leagues. At the completion of the season awards will be presented, and a play-off conducted to choose a team to participate in the 6USA championships. Units that have not entered a team, but desire to do so, should contact the sports office at ext. 4120/5032.

Teams currently entered are:

### Presidio League

1. Corps of Engineers
2. 571st MP Co
3. 402d MP Co
4. Vikings
5. 6USA Sp Trps
6. 170th MP Co
7. 163d MP Co
8. 6USA Med Lab
9. LGH #1

### Ft. Scott League

1. 6USA Comm Det
2. 6USA Fit Det
3. Courier Station
4. 864th Engr Co
5. HHD 30th MP Bn
6. PHS
7. 16th Base Post Office
8. HHD 13th Arty Gp
9. LGH #2

place here, however Presidio units will provide support for varied civilian activities held in honor of the day.

Alcohol/Drug Information 5433 (LIFE)

Alcohol/Drug Assistance 3784 (DRUG)

### con·cern'

Concerned mothers are encouraged to attend open rap sessions sponsored by the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Education Center. Meetings cover drug use and abuse and are held each Tuesday at the Up Front House, Bldg. 2, corner of Funston and Lincoln streets, at 3 p.m.

And, be sure to note these "not too late" telephone listings:

### con·firm'

The Protestant Rite of Confirmation is scheduled for the Presidio Post Chapel on May 21 at the 11 a.m. service. The class has completed a five month course under the supervision of Assistant Post Chaplain, Raymond W. Johnson. Areas of study included Bible, Church history and comparative religions. For additional information call the Post Chapel at ext. 4435.



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Staff Photo

## *Side by side they echo the sounds of silence*

*Side by side* they fought, they fell, they lie. On May 29, 1972, Memorial Day, America pays solemn tribute to her honored dead.

The achievements and sacrifices of these fallen comrades will be recognized here in a special observance at the Cenotaph at San Francisco National Cemetery.

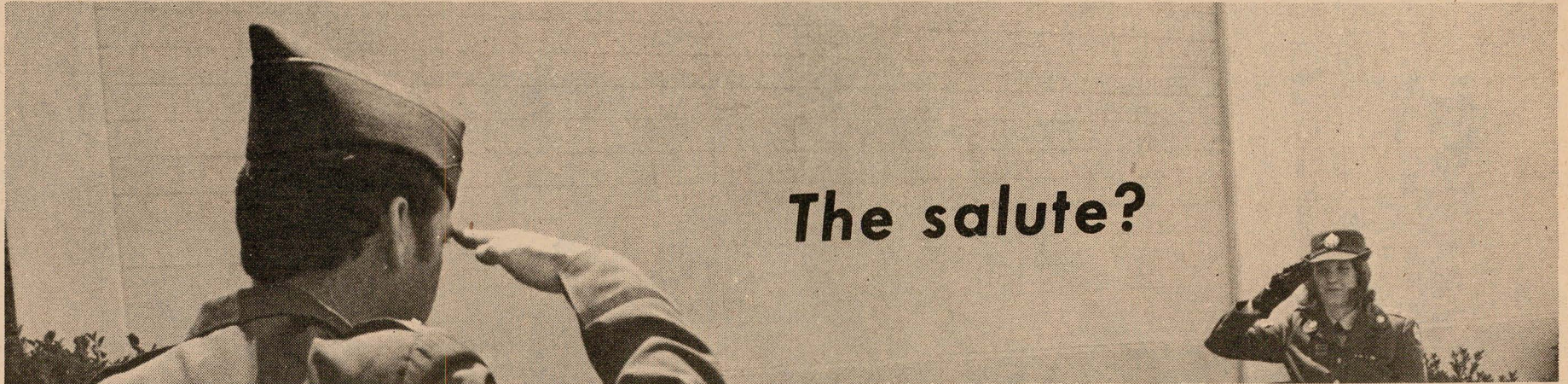
Sponsored by the Mayor's Memorial Day Citizens' Committee, the cere-

mony will commence with a parade at 10:30 a.m. A Sixth Army Band concert begins the cemetery tribute which will include a rendition of Lincoln's Gettysburg address.

After a volley of rifle fire and the sounds of taps and *echo*, the eventful occasion concludes with a moment of *silence* followed by a 21-gun salute and Air Force fly-over at 11:58 a.m. Public is invited.



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## The salute?

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*What does the salute mean to you?*

It is a recognition of another person, an informal greeting.  
Sergeant First Class Robert James  
Sixth Recruiting District

A way of saying hi.  
Captain Hernandez  
Letterman General Hospital

It is a matter of recognition, of saying hello, as well as showing respect.  
Lieutenant Colonel John Moray  
DCSRF

We shouldn't have to salute. They (officers) are just the same as we are except that they have bars on their shoulders. We don't salute NCO's, why should we salute officers?

Specialist Four Alvie Kelley  
Sixth Army Special Troops

Saluting is a thing of tradition. It is the military equivalent of shaking your boss's hand in civilian life.

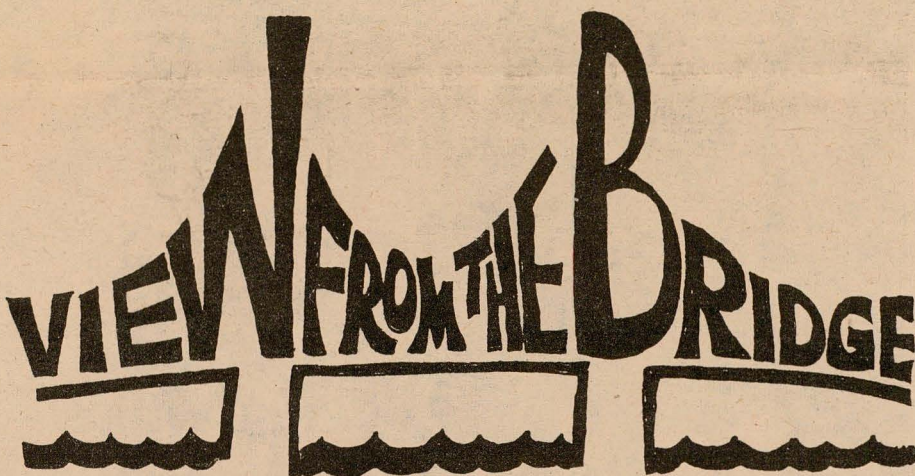
Specialist Five Harry Fernandes  
Sixth Army Special Troops

It is an automatic reaction when I see an officer.  
Specialist Five Norman Friend  
Sixth Army Casualty Branch

It is ridiculous. You can have respect without having to salute.  
Specialist Four Clint Anderson  
AGS

Saluting is a form of greeting and also a tool of discipline.  
1st Sergeant William Headrick  
Sixth Army Special Troops

Sergeant Mike Clark is the *Star Presidian's* roving reporter. He's assigned to the press branch, Office of the Chief, Public Affairs, 6th U.S. Army. He is armed with a question covering just about any subject you can imagine, and some you can't. When you see him coming, be prepared.



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You can no longer lay on the old cliché, "I'm old enough to fight but not old enough to vote." Now you can vote. Thanks to the 26th Amendment voting is the responsibility of every United States citizen, eighteen years of age and older.

With the passage of this amendment, eleven million potential new voters were added to the electorate. Of these more than 675,000 are serving in the Armed Forces. This includes you.

If you really want to vote, it's not all that difficult, but plan ahead. It can all be done by mail through your place of residence. Unless your home is in Alabama, Alaska, Louisiana, Maine, Nevada or Puerto Rico, you don't even have

to register ahead of time. It's all taken care of when you send a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for your absentee ballot. For the states and territory just mentioned, you must register by mail to receive a ballot.

Each troop unit at the Presidio, to include 6th U.S. Army, has a voting officer. These officers have been selected for the sole purpose of helping you accomplish "your thing" when it comes to voting. But the voting officer, in fact the voting program itself, can only be as effective as your personal participation allows. Participate and see your unit voting officer for assistance.

Presidio voting officer  
LT Casey

PSF unit voting officers

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| D Co USAG         | LT Jones   |
| 51st Engineers    | LT Chaffee |
| D 864th Engineers | Mr. King   |
| HQ Company USAG   | LT Magana  |

16th Base Post Office  
30th MP

LT Katayama  
LT Mahnke

Presidential Primaries scheduled for June, that you can still take part in are listed below.

6th Army voting officer  
Mr. Peavy  
6A Unit voting officers

Special troops  
6A Band  
6A Flight Det.  
6A Communications Det

CPT White  
CW2 Howell  
LT Cullman  
SFC Terrill

|                |         |
|----------------|---------|
| California     | June 6  |
| Iowa           | June 6  |
| Maine          | June 19 |
| Mississippi    | June 6  |
| Montana        | June 6  |
| New York       | June 20 |
| South Carolina | June 13 |
| Virginia       | June 13 |

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*Presidio profile***HQ Co mail clerk collects stamps**

What might seem like a routine and uninteresting task, even sheer busy work for most people, the job of sorting and distributing mail each day, takes on an added meaning for the unit mail clerk at Headquarters Company, (USAG).

Working out of what looks like a closet but is really the company mail room, Specialist Four Vernon D. Murray has a very personal interest in the mail received and sent by HQ Co. personnel. You see, this unit mail clerk collects stamps!

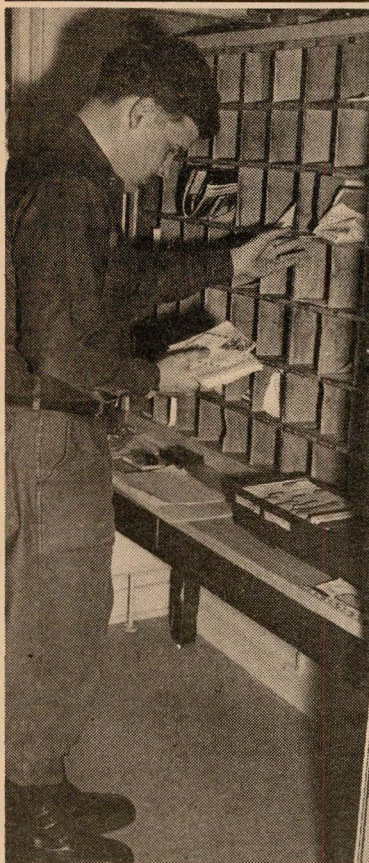
SP4 Murray, now 21, first started collecting stamps as a young boy in his hometown of Van Wert, Ohio, but gave it up until recently. Shortly after being assigned here in November 1971, he quickly tired of the "big town" pace of San Francisco and needed something to fill his off-duty hours. The young specialist renewed his interest in stamp collecting and now much of his free time is spent in pursuit of this hobby.

Collecting both U.S. and foreign issues, handling the company mail has given him the opportunity to further his collection. As SP4 Murray scans all

incoming mail to determine its final destination, his eyes automatically note the upper right hand corner of each envelope. If he sees an unusual or interesting stamp for his collection, he makes a mental note of it so he can later talk to whoever received the letter, and hopefully obtain the stamp. "So far all the members of the company have been cooperative and save these stamps for me," says the specialist. He has acquired several stamps in this way — a limited issue U.S. airmail and South Vietnamese special issue. An 1881 U.S. issue is his most valued stamp.

SP4 Murray is a man of many interests. He is also interested in fishing, pistol target practice and building model tanks, airplanes and boats.

Another interest is travel and since entering the Army in August 1969, SP4 Murray has had his fair share of it both at home and abroad. Prior to coming here he was assigned to the 38th Post Office in South Vietnam. Among others, his stateside assignments have included; Ft. Jackson, S.C., Ft. Riley, Kan., Ft. Gordon, Ga. and Ft. Dix, N.J.



Army Photo by SP4 B. Close

**Mini computer arrests speeders on post**

Age has caught up with the Presidio Provost Marshal Division — the computer age that is.

Recently VASCAR (Visual Average Speed Computer And Recorder) was installed in MP vehicles here.

The mini computer, like most computers, eliminates human error. VASCAR measures speed as a function of time and distance eliminating the need for a MP sedan to follow and "clock" vehicles suspected of speeding.

These computers can measure and record speed wherever, whenever and in all directions from a moving MP vehicle. The speed of traffic flowing with (in front of or behind), against or across the MP sedan's direction can be measured to within two-tenths miles per hour. In addition this instrument can function like radar from a parked sedan.

VASCAR's split second computations of speed are flashed and retained on a screen, similar to a small TV. It's accuracy makes it the most legally accepted evidence of speeding in all courts of law.

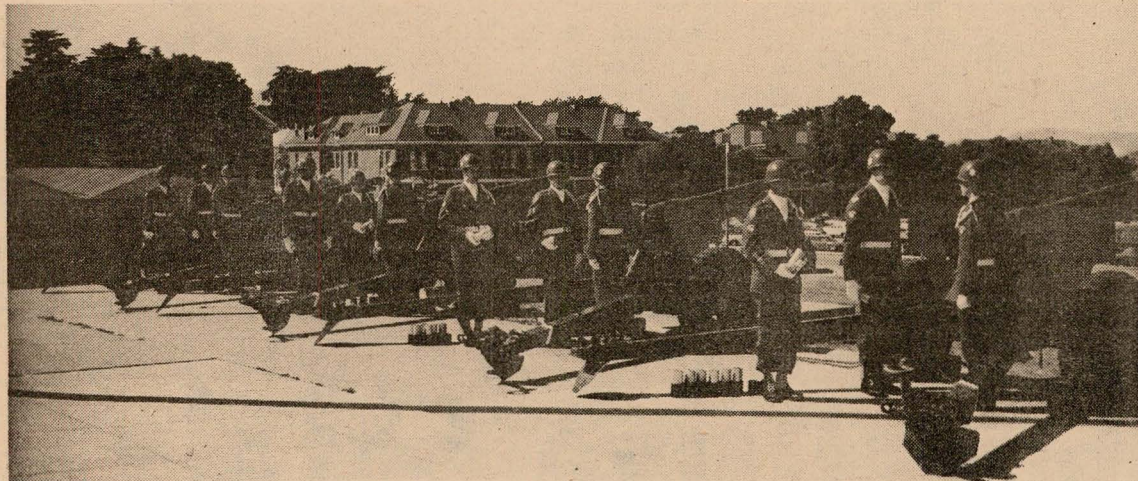
Deemed necessary to enforce speed regulations here, VASCAR will be used extensively in patrolling Mason Street, all family housing areas and Lombard Street and Presidio Boulevard, from the main entrance to the MP Headquarters building. According to Captain Allen H. Hammer, deputy provost marshal, these are prime areas of speeding violations.

VASCAR is indeed a symbol of police progress. Like areas throughout most of our 50 states the Presidio is now VASCAR patrolled.

**Crime crusader reads and listens**

As a member of the 170th Military Police Battalion, Specialist Four G. Thomas Cunningham's duty hours might be spent controlling traffic or investigating a crime. Tom, PSF's April Soldier of the Month, hails from Delano, California. The 20 year old MP spends his own time absorbed in a good book or enjoying his favorite recording artist.

(U.S. Army Photo by SP5 R. Read.)



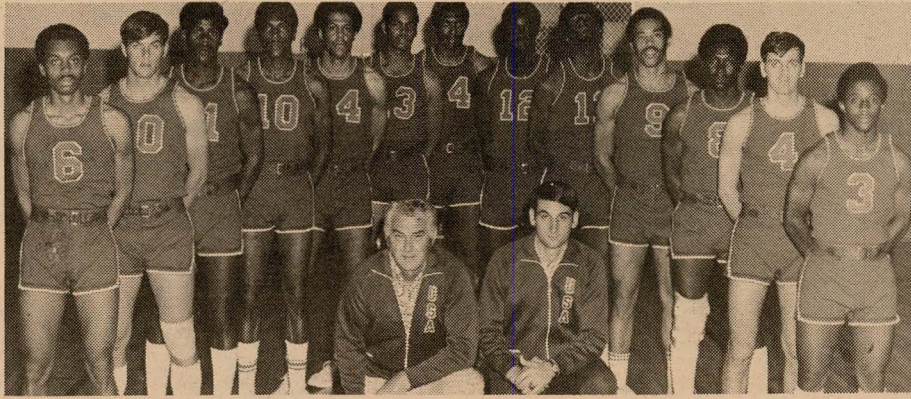
(U.S. Army Photo by SSG M. Aitken)

**They serve too**

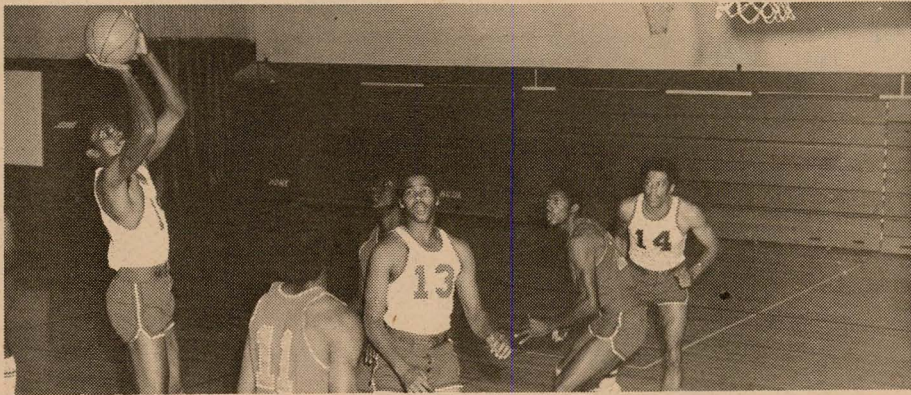
Welcoming VIPs to the Presidio or conducting special events is an additional responsibility for many, generals and privates alike.

Fifteen enlisted men assigned to Headquarters Company, (USAG) play an important and unique role in such ceremonies. Important: they are members of the ceremonial cannon detail. Unique: they usually serve Presidio staff sections as clerks and in other jobs!





All service team . . .



. . . ready for action

The Armed Forces Basketball Team, coached by Hal Fischer, Presidio sports director departs for Frankfurt, Germany on Monday. After final training and practice there, they head off to the World Military Basketball Championship in Udine, Italy, June 8-20. Good luck team: Good luck Hal. (U.S. Army Photos by SP5 R. Read)



Be sure to take in the *Godfather* now playing at the Presidio Theater. Even if you didn't read the best seller, catch the flick running now through Tuesday. The controversial plot about a powerful "Mafioso family" in America, stars Marlon Brando. Admission is \$1.50 for adults, 75 cents for children. Rated R.

## plan some fun

### Chopper rides

Get a free bird's eye view of the "city" and surrounding Bay area from an Army chopper.

On Saturday, June 3, and the first Saturday of each month, the Presidio Service Club sponsors these rides. Two flights, each carrying ten passengers, leave from Crissy Field for the morning tours.

Flights are open only to active duty types and you must be wearing your uniform (fatigues for the guys; class A's for Wacs) and dog tags.

Seats go fast, so sign up at the Service Club, Bldg. 135, no later than the Thursday before. Happy landings!

Let PLAN SOME FUN highlight your special happening or hang out!

## FOCUS ON SPORTS

### Wac knocks 'em down; becomes 6A champion

Strikes and spares are the rule, rather than the exception, for Specialist Five Donna M. Burgohy, 26, a computer operator with the Management Information Systems Office, Headquarters, 6th U.S. Army.

SP5 Burgohy recently returned to the Presidio with her fair share of the take in the 1972 6th U.S. Army Command Bowling Tournament held May 8-12 at Ft. Lewis, Wash.

She turned on the power to earn four championship titles in the

women's division competition — high game (234), high series (606), singles (1110 pins) and all events (3087 pins).

SP5 Burgohy, a native of Key West, Fla., has been bowling for nine years, 7½ of which she has served in uniform. She finds "bowling a very satisfying pursuit" and spends about five hours a week at the Ft. Scott Bowling Center keeping in practice. Her practice paid off in her first championship wins in competitive bowling.

### Creative entertainments

Creative Entertainments wants to join you! This Bay area club provides an opportunity to SAVE MONEY in dining, entertainment, sports, travel and much, much more.

Membership is now available to Presidio personnel for only \$12.50, instead of the regular \$20 fee. When Creative Entertainments joins you, you'll be given a passbook. This represents over 300 discounts usually in the form of a free dinner or free admission to a certain event, when another item of the same sort is purchased. A newsletter and special hotline telephone keep members updated on current bonuses and bargains in the Bay area and elsewhere. It may be a rock concert at Winterland, a trip to the Grand Canyon or an evening on the town with your favorite sports figure or Hollywood star.

Take advantage of this exciting offer. Examine without obligation this unique passbook. Contact your ol' friend Donna at the Presidio Service Club, Bldg. 135, or at ext. 2000 between 2-6 p.m.

Two can do it for the price of one, so check it out and Plan Some Fun!



With a full moon above, spine tingling chills ran rampant last night as the Presidio Players gave their first performance of the horror classic *Dracula*. Free tickets will be available daily at the Playhouse box office from 1-5 p.m. except Sundays. Put on your black cape, the curtain rises at 8:30 p.m. tonight and tomorrow and nightly June 1-3 and 8-10. For further information call ext. 3992 after 1 p.m.

### Where it is

Got an interesting hobby? Here's a chance to show your talent at an arts and crafts exhibit on Wednesday, May 31 in the Presidio Teen Club.

Civilian and military personnel of all ages may participate. Doors will open to receive display items at 7 a.m. and the show will last until 8 p.m.

#### Tiki (NCO) Club

Special entertainment replaces the regular record hop at the Tiki next Saturday, June 3. Drop by and see the Yates Brothers Soul Show starting at 8:30 p.m.

#### Presidio Service Club

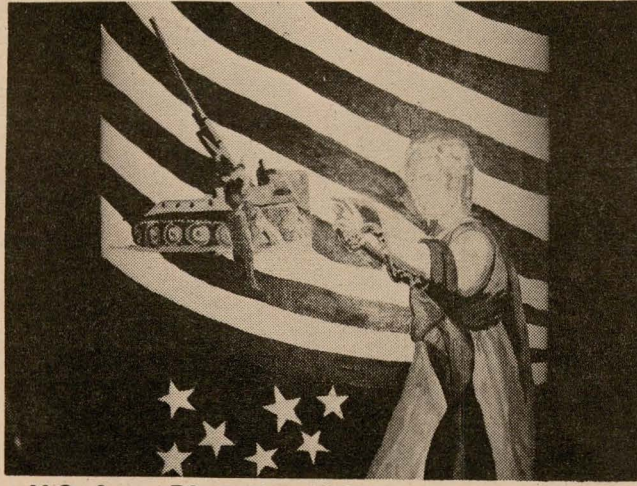
The Presidio Service Club is sponsoring a trip to the Giants-Dodgers game Monday. Reservations must be made in person at the Service Club Bldg. 135.

# 3 Day Holiday: Drive Safely



# Soldiers, stars and stripes share birthday

**U.S. Army  
born June 14,  
1775...**



U.S. Army Photo by SSG M. Aitken from an original painting, entitled Temperance, by Eleanore Sarin.

**...flag unfurls  
on same day  
in 1777**

## STAR PRESIDIAN

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Starting Thursday, June 15, all personnel (this includes military, dependents and civilian employees) charged with a traffic violation on the Presidio will be required to appear before the U.S. Magistrate Court in San Francisco. Up until now military members have only been subject to appearance before their unit CO's for punishment. Conviction and fines will now be levied by a federal judge. Watch the *Star Presidian* for future stories about this.

### Civilians to pull KP duties here

Goodbye KP! As early as July 1 civilians will be employed to "pull" KP duties in all Presidio and subpost messhalls.

The hiring of civilians will eliminate the KP roster and the gripes which have usually resulted from pulling KP.

KP services will be contracted from the local community and those performing the duties will still be responsible to messhall sergeants. Additional supervision will be provided by a civilian manager.

The idea of civilian KP's was proved successful under the Volunteer Army (VOLAR) concept and has now been incorporated into the Modern Volunteer Army (MVA) program. After being tested at Army installations throughout the country, including Ft. Carson and Ft. Lewis in Sixth Army, civilians as KP's are a reality.

Come to *Presidio Country*, a new radio show featuring country and western music and post news. Aired each Saturday at 7 a.m. on KSAY (San Francisco/Oakland), it's produced by the Sixth Army Public Affairs Office, Radio/TV section for Presidio personnel and residents. Master Sergeant Chester C. McNeese is your host for this entertaining and informative half-hour. You'll find *Presidio Country* at 1010 on the AM dial.

See story on page 3.

### Drug and alcohol center offers help and facts Down Front House

The Presidio Alcohol and Drug Abuse Rehabilitation Center is staffed by military and civilian professionals and para-professionals who provide aid in dealing with drug and alcohol related problems. Individual and group counseling is open to military personnel (active and retired), their dependents and DA civilians seeking help. Located in Bldg. 1034, Girard and Thornburg, this center has a half-way house program for those requiring it.

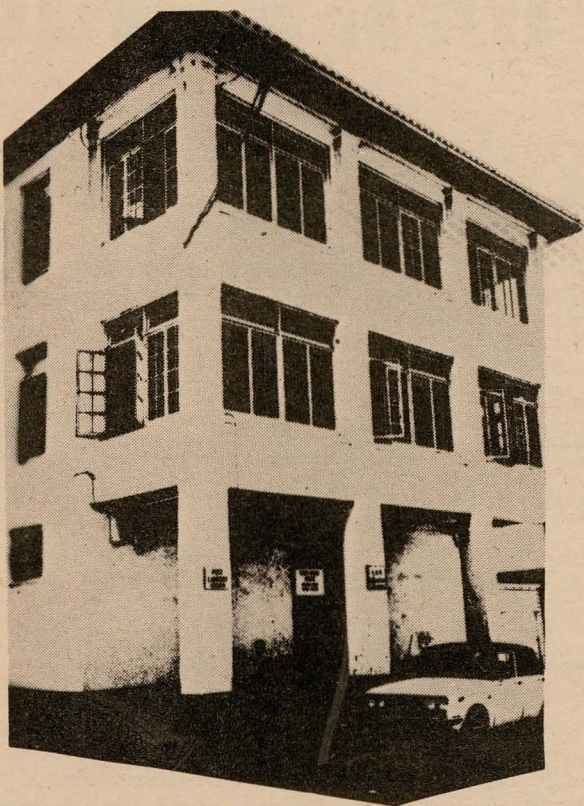
The Down Front House is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for help during an emergency or to make arrangements for counseling and rehabilitation. Their telephone number is 561-DRUG.

#### Up Front House

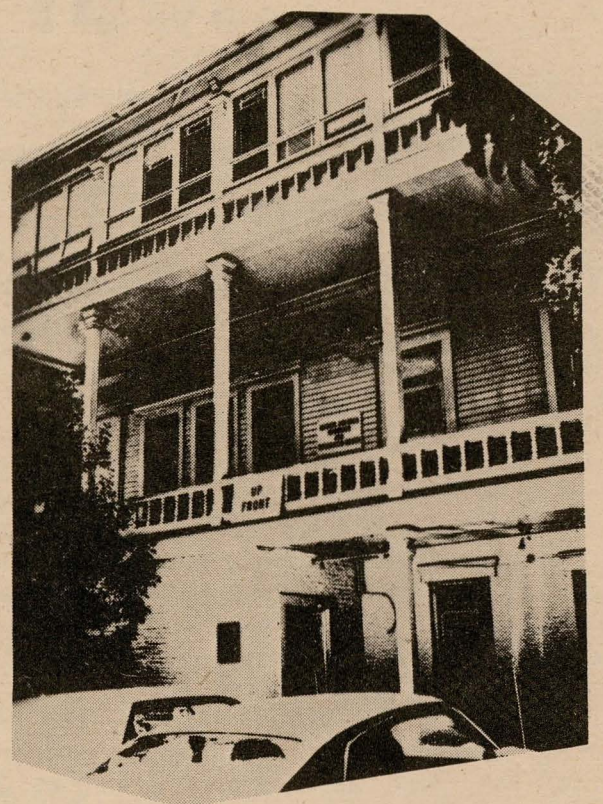
The Presidio Alcohol and Drug Abuse Education Center is a drop-in service for informative literature and "raps" with qualified personnel. Located in Bldg. 2, Lincoln and Funston, they provide speakers, films and slides for presentations to any group in the military community on alcohol and drug use and abuse. Their staff furnishes information on the Presidio Alcohol and Drug Program (including exemption) and about other civilian and military rehabilitation programs.

The Up Front House is open Monday thru Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. To reach them call 561-LIFE.

U.S. Army Photos by SP4 B. Close



Down Front for help



Up Front for facts



# Your views are news...

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Your Views Are News is your voice in print. This is your section of the paper, a chance to express your opinions, gripes and comments. Either send your letters to the newsroom or answer questions asked by our roving reporter. Your letters and comments will be screened and those with the most interest to the majority of Presidio personnel will be printed. Letters should be limited to one typed or handwritten page and submitted to the newsroom not later than Monday prior to publication. All letters must be signed to include your name, rank, unit and phone. However, upon request comments and letters will be printed anonymously. Please send letters to Star Presidian, Information Office, Bldg. 87.

Dear editor:

I was under the impression that the increase in prices was limited by President Nixon's Wage and Price Freeze Program. I am not sure but it seems that the NCO Club at the Presidio has overstepped its boundary by a trifle.

As an example; the price of a Bloody Mary has gone up in the last couple of weeks from 55 to 75 cents. This is a markup of approximately 33 per cent.

Does this violate the President's program?

An NCO  
Special Troops  
Sixth U.S. Army

To an NCO:

No!

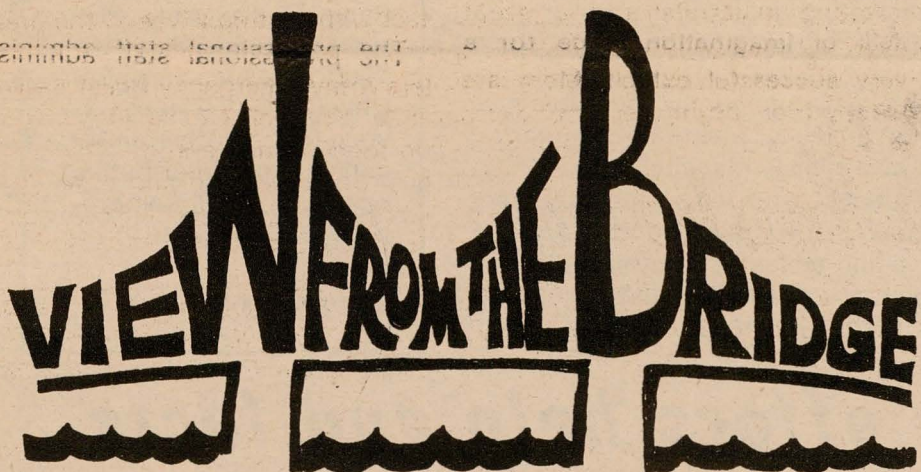
The Cost of Living Council has exempted non-appropriated fund services and membership organizations from the Wage and Price Freeze Program, as long as profit structure and goals are not increased.

(The NCO Club is both a non-appropriated fund service and a membership organization. Its profit structure and goals have not increased. By the way, commissaries also fall under the same category.)

Personnel Services Division  
DPCA, Presidio of San Francisco

In addition, in order to comply with directed salary increases for NCO Club personnel, prices were forced to increase to offset the difference. This is why your Bloody Mary costs 20 cents more.

Administration Office  
NCO Club  
Presidio of San Francisco



## ...our views are news, too

**EDITOR'S NOTE:**

Because of lack of space this week we are using this area to run pertinent news items.

### Call Pentagon for voting info

The Pentagon is "in" for telephone calls on voting. They have set up a round-the-clock voting action line to assist soldiers and their dependents register for voting. The number is Autovon 224-4777 and commercially (202) 694-4777.

After normal working hours an automatic answering service takes over. Callers are required to give their name, rank and telephone number, mailing address and a brief statement of their voting problem. The Federal Voting Assistance Task Force will provide a fast answer by returning your call or by mail.

Questions concerning information on registering, voting requirements of a particular state, address of a county seat, name of caller's service voting representative and

other questions pertaining to voting are quickly solved for you. So if you have a question about voting give the Pentagon a buzz and get your answer.

### Civies OK for cheap fares

You can now travel by plane or train in your civies. In the United States, twenty-two airlines and AMTRAK (national railroad passenger corporation) have adopted a new policy allowing service members with valid active duty ID cards to travel in civilian clothes without orders or the standard DD 1580 form.

The new program enables military personnel to travel in civies as long as there is space available. On the airlines the rule applies to only stateside flights including Hawaii and Alaska.

Soldiers traveling via AMTRAK are given a 25% discount on the regular coach fare. A two-thirds reserved or half-fare standby plan is

*What changes would you like within the Modern Volunteer Army (MVA) program?*

I would like to see co-ed barracks, since the practice is being used in many colleges. Why not?

Specialist Four D.P. Gatlin  
Message Center  
Sixth U.S. Army

The best thing that could happen as far as MVA projects that have been instituted, is continuing them rather than letting the funding evaporate and disappear.

Col J.H. Fye  
Deputy CO  
Presidio of San Francisco

I think a change should be to try and cut the paperwork under the MVA program. Cut out unnecessary things. Some formations and things could go. They're trying pretty hard to do this but I think sometimes they're still going out of it. Area beautification and things like that are taking time away from my job. When I could be in the office, I end up being on a detail which keeps me busy for hours.

Specialist Five J. Hahn  
Sixth Army Special Troops

In my opinion this modern army or volunteer army or whatever you want to call it is good to a certain extent. What I mean, it's nice to have longer side burns but as far as the discipline, I don't think there is any. I think that when an E-5 or E-6 tells an E-4 he has to go on police call or pick up paper or to do this or that, he should do it instead of talking back.

Staff Sergeant L. West  
Operations Sergeant  
Headquarters Command

I believe as far as ranks are concerned there have been a lot of changes and in certain areas it is hurting the men. In the combat situation one will forget that the person ahead of him is there because of his experience and knowledge of the field. You have to respect that fact or a lot of times it means someone's life.

Specialist Four D. Nickerson  
Sixth Army Special Troops

The change I would like to see made is that when a man is sent overseas, say, on a short tour, he would not get another overseas tour right away. Other minor things for example; if you are E-5 or above and you want to live off-post you should be able to.

Specialist Five G.A. Moore  
Sixth Army Personnel

been selected to serve on a recently established council representing all retired Army personnel.

It is designed to provide the Army with insight into the problems and needs of its retired members. The group will seek to provide retirees with means of participating and communicating with the active Army, an opportunity to analyze decisions, policies and laws which affect them and actively participate and exert influence of the retired community on programs concerned with their well-being.

available on most air carriers.

There is one hang-up with the airlines that you should watch out for. Although most of the major airlines now recognize flying in civies as acceptable, a few of the smaller ones require flying in uniform to receive the discount. So if you are going to be making connections on local flights check ahead.

### Retirees get new voice

Four retired Army members residing in the Sixth Army Area have

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Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr.  
Commanding Officer

George B. Grimes  
Editor

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# They tell 6th Army story

In a little cave-like office buried in the basement of the Sixth Army Headquarters building is the Public Affairs Office radio/TV section. For a small, little-known office there is a great deal of activity for the two disc jockeys who command the operation.

Master Sergeant Chester C. McNeese and Specialist Five Sherrel K. Richardson are a very busy pair, serving forty-seven radio stations weekly within the 12-state Sixth Army Area. Their mission is to spread the news about Sixth Army and entertain its civilian communities. News stories, music, interviews and Army announcements are all tools of their trade.

Using nine different formats for their 15- and 30-minute shows, whether they be country and western, middle of the road or top 40 rock, requires a great deal of preparation and hard work. When they're not recording a show, spinning a disc, interviewing a well-known recording artist or selecting what music to be used in a given show, they may be writing spot announcements, dubbing a tape or packaging the final product to ship off to one of their many outlets.

Shows are kept current in order to make them attractive to an audience and obtain reasonable air times. Says MSgt. McNeese, "we not only try to reach the young people, but people of all ages in order to pass on news of today's modern Army."

On the air it's MSgt. McNeese and Specialist Richardson who tell the Sixth Army story!



Photo by Sgt. M. Clark

## Everybody did their thing

Ages five thru eighty-three representing 33 families at the Presidio, both military and civilian, showed their crafts and hobbies at a recent exhibit in the post Teen Club. A wide variety of works including photography, woodburning, decou-

page, ceramics, weaving and leather crafts were displayed. Interesting materials and a great deal of imagination made for a very successful exhibit. More are planned for the future.

## These men have a new look

The look is gas. Our photographer, Specialist Four Byron Close, caught these enlisted members of Headquarters Command leaving the gas chamber during a protective mask confidence exercise. Officers, don't look so sad — your turn comes next month.



Feels bad



smells bad



even looks bad

## PSF

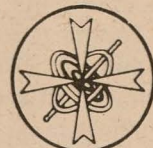
## def·i·ni·tions

### se·cures'

Careers for Retired Military has resumed its operation here at the Presidio under the direction of Colonel Charles W. Davis, USA Retired. Its objective is to assist military personnel of all services to secure appropriate employment after retirement or separation from the service. There is no charge involved. The office is located in Bldg. T-116, Ext. 5090.

### ser·vice

Do you have personal or family problems? Could you use some financial planning assistance? Are you now on post and in need of maps and information? How about a temporary loan of dishes, baby furniture, etc.



Army Community Service (ACS), bldg. 223, West Halleck St., (Ext. 5057) helps people with these problems every day. ACS also sponsors the post nursery and has a volunteer committee to provide extra activities for the children. They help relatives who are traveling to be with critically ill servicemen overseas, welcome new families to post and maintain contact with waiting wives in the area.

The professional staff administers Army Emergency Relief assistance. They also have information on food stamps and are happy to provide counseling and assistance for personal, family, and financial problems.

### speak·er

The San Francisco Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army (AUSA) will hold its Annual Election Luncheon on Thursday, June 15, in Annex 2 of the Presidio Officers' Open Mess.

The keynote speaker at the 11:30 a.m. meeting will be DA Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Major General Phillip B. Davidson, Jr.

All AUSA members, active duty and retired military personnel, DA civilians and dependents are invited. The cost of the luncheon will be \$3.50. For reservations and further information contact the AUSA Secretary at Ext. 2035.

### sum·mer

Registration for the American Red Cross Summer Swim Program will begin June 13 in Bldg. 97 for junior and senior life saving classes. Registration for swimming classes will be on June 14-15 with classes starting on July 10. To help in the swim program, swimming aides are needed. Young people, ages 12-18, interested in serving the Presidio community in a very useful way, should contact the Red Cross field director, Bldg. 97, Ext. 2142.

# Blood drive set June 22-23: so BLEED



# FOCUS ON SPORTS

## Team handball it's not

From across the Atlantic a new sport is sweeping Army installations throughout the United States. The sport is making its debut at the Presidio in both unit intramural and dependent programs.

It's called handball — actually it's anything but that.

Known as team or European handball, it's not played with a small rubber ball or on a four-walled court, like handball that is familiar to most Americans. It's played on a court similar to one used in basketball. Teams score by bouncing the ball from one end of the court to the other, and then throwing it into a net which is similar to a soccer goal. Team handball also combines some elements of volleyball, hockey and rugby. The fast and exciting game can be played indoors or out.

A post team has not yet been organized; however, youth team handball is quickly taking shape. The Presidio youth team has already won its first two games and during June 26-30 will travel to Ft. Ord, Calif., where they will compete in the Sixth Army Youth Team Handball Championship.



### Play Ball!

The softball season is underway at the Presidio, and San Francisco Bunnies Judy and Esther encourage you to support participating teams. (Exclusive Star Presidian pix courtesy of the San Francisco Playboy Club.)

For up to the minute San Francisco and Oakland team scores and standings call SPORTSDIAL at 478-9560.

SPORTSDIAL is a public service provided by the San Francisco EXAMINER and KSFO radio.

## 1017 Market

1017 Market Street is the home of the San Francisco United Service Organization (USO).

Most of you are probably familiar with the organization because of the Bob Hope Christmas Show they sponsor at military installations around the world. Locally, they're the ones who bring you the dances most Saturdays at the Presidio Service Club. The San Francisco USO Club also hosts varied activities at the Market Street address; dances every night (except Monday and Tuesday), bowling or skating outings on Tuesdays, Saturday city tours, scheduled rap sessions on current topics, entertainment at their Cellar Door and a free Sunday buffet.

These are but a few of the events at your local USO Club. They'll let you know what's happening by calling 621-0630. By the way there are USO Clubs to serve you in Oakland and at San Francisco International.

## Call 392-2191

Call 392-2191 to Plan Some Fun at the Armed Services YMCA.

This "Y" is unique because it's designed primarily to serve military residents and visitors to the Bay Area. Rap sessions and folk shows are held in the Coffee House after a free "Y" style meal each Sunday night. Saturday it's dancing; Thursday is game night.

Don't miss out on other "Y" happenings which include daytime tours and camping or weekend trips. Visit them at 166 The Embarcadero.

Let PLAN SOME FUN highlight your special happening or hangout!



## June ART

9th — Opening of a two month exhibition, The American West, a significant collection of paintings, drawings and water colors of the Old West; Remington, Russell and Catlin are among the painters represented. De Young Museum.

### MUSIC

Sundays — Midsummer Music Festival: the popular Sunday afternoon programs in Sigmund Stern Grove are known for their variety, excellence, outdoor setting and free admission.

### SPORTS

June 3 and 17 — Wrestling at Cow Palace. 8:30 p.m.

San Francisco Giants play June 9, 10, 11 — Chicago: June 26 and 27 — Atlanta; June 28 and 29 — Cincinnati; June 30 begins a three-game series with Los Angeles. Candlestick Park.

June 23 — Roller Derby at Cow Palace. 8 p.m.

### THEATRE

9th-24th — American Conservatory Theatre (ACT) production of "Sleuth" at the Geary Theatre.

9-24th — Hal Linden stars in "The Rothschilds", a Civic Light Opera on stage at the Curran Theatre.

9th-30th — "Walking in My Time", a new musical having its world premiere at the On Broadway Theatre.

9th-30th — The Committee's revue every night except Monday on Broadway.

### SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

16th — Smokey Robinson show, Cow Palace. Dial 391-2000 for a daily report on special events and activities in and around the Bay area.

June 28 and 29 — Children's Days in Golden Gate Park; programs of special activities include puppet shows, music, entertainment, clowns and games. Sharon Building at the Children's Playground (at the east end of the Park just off South Drive). 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

June 29 — San Francisco Birthday Celebration. San Francisco observes its 196th birthday; the 10:30 a.m. mass at Mission Dolores is open to the public, but reservations are necessary for the Presidio Officers' Club luncheon which follows.

## Post party

Presidio officers and civilians should plan to attend a post party on June 23 in the LGH annex "O" Club at 7:30 p.m. Dinner is \$2.50; drinks 50 cents. Contact party coordinator by June 16.

## Good deals

Entertainment highlights to help Plan Some Fun come your way from Donna at the Presidio Service Club. This week Donna has an assortment of happenings just for you. For those who enjoy the Roller Derby, the Club will provide a bus to Kezar Stadium at 2 p.m., every Sunday in June, July and August. The cost is only a buck, half normal Derby admission. Dependents under 18 must be accompanied by parents.

Donna also suggests a flick called *San Francisco Experience*. A 50 cent discount is available with I.D. at the box office. It's being shown atop Ghirardelli Square.

## For 8 bucks

Active duty and retired military personnel, their dependents and civilian employees at the Presidio are eligible for membership in the Hamilton Air Force Base flying club.

After a one-time initiation fee **AERO CLUB** membership dues are \$8 a month. This does not include hourly rates for use of aircraft, instruction or student pilot training.

You can contact the **AERO CLUB** at P.O. Box 661, Hamilton AFB, Calif. or by calling 883-7751. Here at the Presidio contact Sgt. Rose at Ext. 3591.

**Dependents college age dance to be held on June 28  
in the Log Cabin Annex at 8p.m. Be there!**



# 196 years of progress

# Presidio salutes San Francisco's birthday

On Thursday, June 29, Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr., commanding officer, Presidio of San Francisco, will place a wreath; raise his saber; cut a cake; propose a toast; and sing *Happy Birthday*, as the Presidio joins in the celebration of San Francisco's 196th birthday.

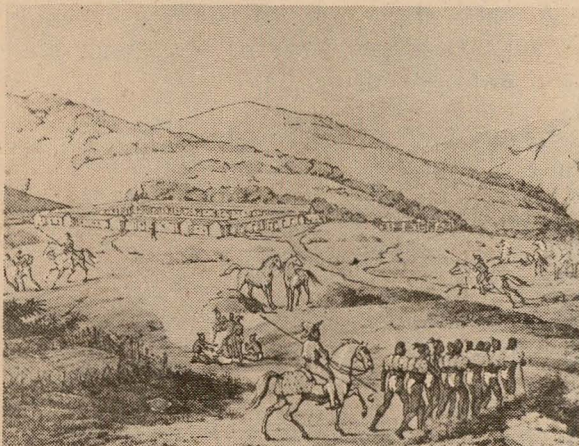
At a Mass honoring the city's founders, in the adobe church of Mission Dolores, Col. Fellows will place a wreath on the tomb of Jose Joaquin Moraga, the Presidio's first commander.

A festive cake-cutting ceremony heralded by military fanfare will highlight a special luncheon to be held at the Presidio Officers' Open Mess, the oldest structure in San Francisco. The colonel and LA FAVORITA, Karin Sonnenberg, descendant of early San Francisco settlers, will cut

the cake, toast the City, and lead approximately 400 luncheon guests, including San Francisco Mayor Joseph L. Alioto, and Sixth U.S. Army Commander, Lieutenant General Alexander D. Surles, Jr., in a chorus of *Happy Birthday, San Francisco*.

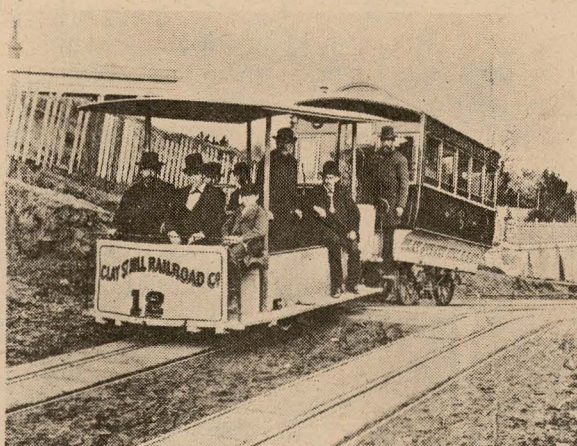
This celebration commemorates the arrival of the first permanent settlers, a group of Spanish soldiers and colonists, part of the Anza expedition, led by Lieutenant Jose Moraga and Padre Francisco Palou. They arrived at the site of Mission Dolores in June 1776, and in July, construction of the Presidio began. From a three-fold beginning: "Mission San Francisco de Asis" (Dolores), the Presidio and Pueblo of Yerba Buena, emerged the present City of Saint Francis — San Francisco.

## Overland (1776)



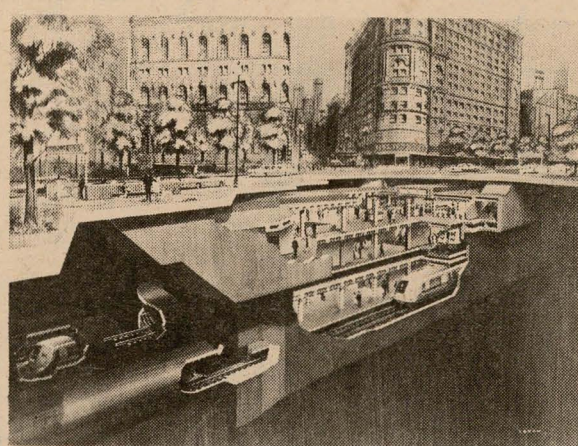
(Presidio Historical Series photo)

## *Uphill (1873)*



(Photos courtesy of San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau)

### *Underground* (1972)



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## BLC: Followers need not attend

"Followers need not attend," could well be the motto of the Basic Leadership Course (BLC) conducted at the Presidio.

Based on his potential leadership ability and career goals, the young enlisted man or woman is selected to attend the two-week course upon recommendation of his unit CO.

The course consists of both formal classroom instruction and practical exercises, with an underlying theme of informing and demonstrating the abilities and tools of a top-notch leader in today's Modern Volunteer Army. Instruction focuses on the duties required of the junior or prospective NCO and career-related military subjects. General subjects such as drug and alcohol use and abuse and race relations help inform

and bring the student up-to-date on basic problems and issues he may face as a leader. On the field, BLC members are taught how to teach such things as drill and ceremony, duties familiar to every NCO.

In the past seven months, the 12 cadre members assigned to administer and instruct at the Presidio's Basic Leadership School have conducted 16 classes and graduated 445 "basic" leaders. The 17th class is currently in session.

BLC is but one way in which the Army is improving careers for enlisted men and women by giving them more opportunities than ever before for career progression and continuing professional development potential — leaders should attend!

***Military personnel now face fines;  
civilian judge to rule in some cases***

Last week the Provost Marshal Division began employing a new method of citing and reprimanding active duty types for traffic violations on the Presidio and its subposts.

Now in most cases, when an MP "pulls" a military offender, he'll be issued a violation notice (see example). This citation, similar to those given by the California Highway Patrol, will require payment of a fine or a day in court before a Federal Magistrate.

This method has been employed for some time in dealing with civilian violators, but up until the new reg took effect on June 15, military personnel had been referred to their unit CO for reprimand or punishment in traffic offenses.

## Under the Federal Magistrate

system all traffic violators on the Presidio, military and civilian alike, will be treated equally, and appreciable results can be expected

in both compliance and enforcement of traffic laws. It also means immediate and uniform action in nearly all cases. According

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DD form 1805

**As of June 15, traffic violators will be cited with this "ticket"**

to Captain Alan Hammer, deputy provost marshal, "the system will allow a more equitable distribution of justice, and in the long run be more fair to the individual concerned."

With implementation came a standard schedule of fines. Fines for various minor violations will average ten dollars and can be paid by mail. For example, illegal parking will clip you five dollars; a noisy muffler, ten.

The more serious offenses, which will require a day in court, include such things as speeding in excess of 60 miles per hour and reckless or drunken driving.

No matter how you look at it, it's going to cost you money from here on in.

*The Star Presidian goes "maxi" for July with full-length editions.*

Plan Some summer fun---July 7

Up and down with drugs---July 21



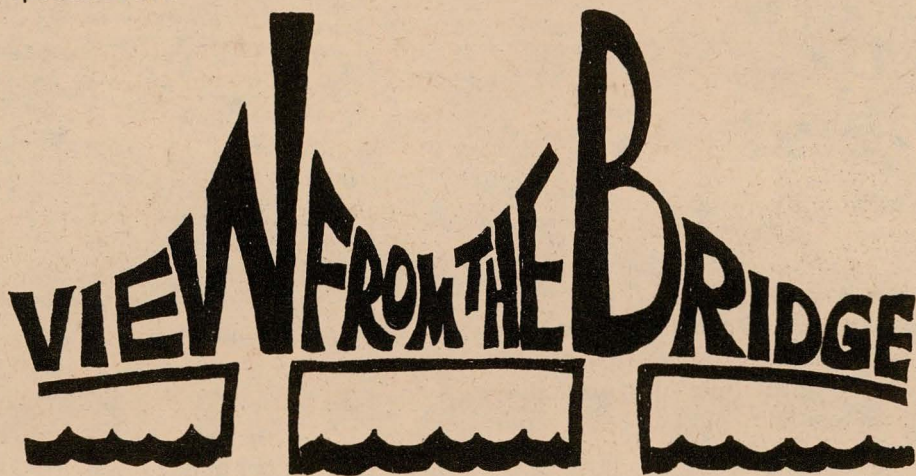
# Your views are news...

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Your Views Are News is your voice in print. This is your section of the paper, a chance to express your opinions, gripes and comments. Either send your letters to the newsroom or answer questions asked by our roving reporter. Your letters and comments will be screened and those with the most interest to the majority of Presidio personnel will be printed. Letters should be limited to one typed or handwritten page and submitted to the newsroom not later than Monday prior to publication. All letters must be signed to include your name, rank, unit and phone. However, upon request comments and letters will be printed anonymously. Please send letters to Star Presidian, Information Office, Bldg. 87.

## Can there ever be a good reason for going awol?

Yes, most definitely. With all the red tape you have to go through to get leave, sometimes it might be very necessary to go awol — a private first class

No, but I can understand why one might have to go awol. Being separated from your family or family problems might be legit reasons — a specialist five



Never. Nothing is worth a dishonorable discharge from the service — a civilian

No, if you need to go somewhere, there is always a way through your company, or somewhere else — a wac sergeant

Not that I can think of, a man might do so through ignorance but there are ways to work out any problems that might come up through established channels — a lieutenant colonel

Yes, if you have personal family problems, you don't have time to mickey mouse around in some orderly room — a specialist four

There is no situation where you should have to go awol. The right people can get you leave, if you know them — a specialist five

Certainly there could be. A man might be in a situation where he didn't originally plan to go awol but take a normal leave, then things could happen and he could become awol — a major

No, not ever. The Army has every convenience any man could ever need — a retired lieutenant colonel

Not right off hand that I can think of, but if it ever comes down to the Army or me, I would have to give it serious thought — a sergeant

Probably, if there was an emergency and not enough time to go through proper channels for emergency leave — a lieutenant

Yes there could be, I went awol several years ago when I had a serious family problem and was too upset to go through the normal channels — a master sergeant

Sergeant Mike Clark is the Star Presidian's roving reporter. He's assigned to the press branch, Office of the Chief, Public Affairs, 6th U.S. Army. He is armed with a question covering just about any subject you can imagine, and some you can't. When you see him coming, be prepared.

# ...our views are news, too

## Summer fun requires summer safety

Traffic accidents and recreational mishaps, with their tragic toll of death and human suffering, are a matter of serious concern. This past year the Presidio has experienced an unprecedented number of military personnel fatalities, including one drowning and three automobile deaths. This record should act as a red light, signaling us to stop and be on our guard to protect ourselves from injury and death. This signal is particularly timely because the critical days of the summer season are upon us.

Summer is traditionally the "go-go" time of year. It's go for a drive . . . go to the beach for a day of boating, swimming or sunbathing . . . go to the country for a weekend of camping, fishing, hunting, or hiking . . . or go on a vacation. These activities present us with the chance to release our emotions; to escape from normal routine; to really let go; and unfortunately to relax our guard where personal safety is concerned. Consequently, the result is many accidents which could have been prevented. To stop these unnecessary injuries and deaths, each person must first recognize a responsibility for self-protection. He may provide himself with this protection by adhering strictly to certain safety precautions when participating in summer activities.

### On the road

Trips should be planned for daylight hours, and maximum use should be made of limited access highways. Be sure the vehicle is in safe operating condition by checking brakes, tires, radiator, battery, etc. When driving, stay back and allow one car length for every ten miles of speed. Buckle up for safety. Don't mix the bottle with the throttle and above all practice driving courtesy and drive defensively at all times.

### In the water

Before going boating, check weather conditions, your compass, and your first aid kit. Test lights, horn and all engines. Boats should carry life preservers for all passengers and their wear should be mandatory. Don't be a hot rod or hot rudder in the water.

Every member of a family should know how to swim safely. Always swim with at least one other person, never alone and only in a safe area, marked for swimming. Whenever children swim, they should be supervised by an able adult swimmer. Before diving, check for rocks and other obstructions. Wait at least an hour after eating before swimming. Never swim when overtired — and stop swimming before you become overtired. Weak swimmers should never depend on toys, inner tubes, and other inflated devices to stay afloat. They can easily slip away.

If a swimmer is in trouble, try to reach him with a buoy, line, pole, or boat. Enter the water yourself only as a last resort and only if you have the training and ability to effect a rescue.

### Under the sun

To prevent serious sunburn and sun poisoning, sunbathers should expose their skin to the sun gradually. As safeguards against overexposure to the sun, there are numerous creams and lotions which will screen out ultra-violet rays. These should be used liberally even after a good tan has been achieved.

### Around the land

When going camping, make sure the water supply meets minimum health standards. Camp in an elevated place if possible, so that in case of a storm, rainwater will drain downhill from your campsite and don't pitch tents near old trees that might blow down in a storm.

Have a good insect repellent with you and learn what poison plants there are in the area — those dangerous to touch as well as to eat. Keep children away from plants, like berries and toadstools, that look edible but may be poisonous. Learn something about

the wildlife in the area — large animals that are dangerous and snakes that are poisonous — and give them a wide berth.

The area around a campfire should be cleared completely for a radius of at least ten feet. When you've finished with a fire, extinguish it with water, then shovel earth on it. Smokers should make certain that cigarette, cigar, or pipe ash is completely extinguished. Strip cigarette butts, stick cigar stubs deep in sandy soil, cover pipe ashes with earth. Use charcoal grills only in well ventilated places. When charcoal is burned in a closed tent or cave, there is danger of asphyxiation from carbon monoxide.

Before going for a hike, ensure that you are physically fit, properly equipped, adequately clothed, and know the terrain and environmental surroundings of the trail.

Remember, safety requires voluntary practice by each of us. It is practice that makes perfect — a perfectly safe summer.

Post Safety Branch  
American Red Cross

## Remember Aug. ?

## MOS test time

### STAR PRESIDIAN

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## PSF def·i·nī·tions

### re·cre·a·tion

Next week, a day camp is being held at the Post Girl Scout hut for military and civilian dependent girls. Creative arts and crafts, cooking and walking tours of San Francisco will highlight the activities. The camp is open to non-scouts as well, for those seven years of age and older. Overnight camps are planned for July and August. For further information, drop by the Girl Scout building (near the Lombard gate) between 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday, or call Ext. 2821.

### re·pay'

Help! The Post Thrift Shop needs volunteers desperately. Profits from the store support dependent sports and teen club activities and mothers with children participating in these activities are urged to offer a few hours of their time at the Thrift Shop. Mothers with young children — the shop pays babysitting fees at the Post Nursery while you're working. To volunteer, contact Thrift Shop Manager, Mrs. Helen Irvine at Ext. 3265.

### re·search'

Do you have a military pay problem? The Finance and Accounting office here has made two important changes to help iron out these pay problems.

First, a new telephone recording device has been installed on one of the military pay information numbers and is operational 24 hours a day. All you have to do is call Ext. 2776, give your name, rank, service number, telephone number, organization and state your problem. The calls are transcribed and researched during the day and you are called back with your answer as soon as possible.

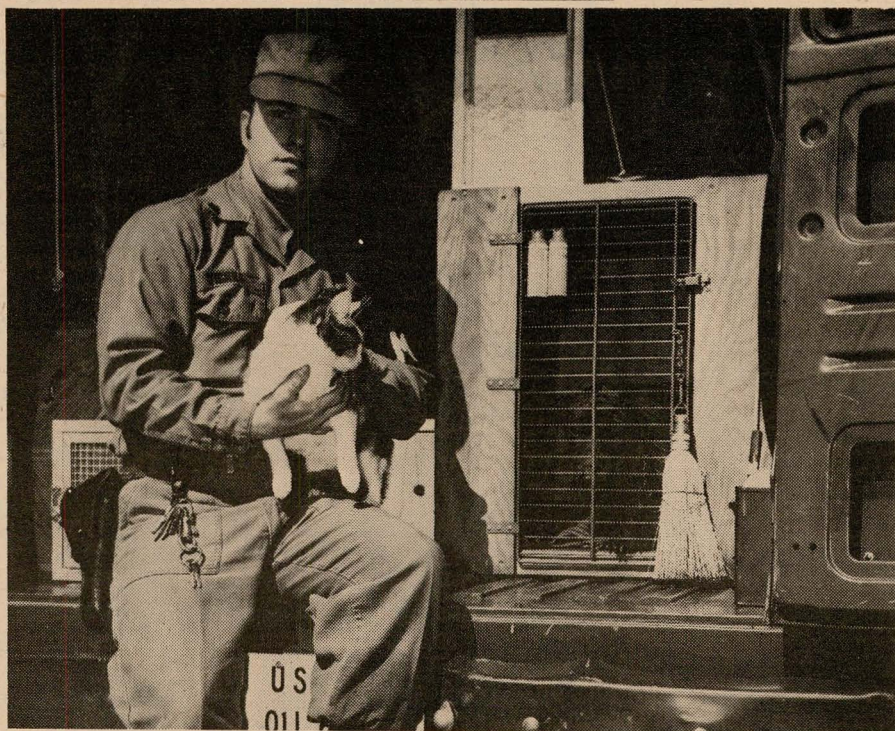
Another change is the hours. As of Monday, the military pay section will be open for customer service from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 12:15 to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### re·ward'

Where are all the safe drivers? In the safe driving campaign that started in May and continues through August, the Post Safety Branch reports difficulties in finding safe and courteous drivers to reward each day.

Several noncommissioned officers are cruising around post looking for such drivers. Instead of issuing tickets for violations they are offering a reward, a National Safety Council cigarette lighter, along with a letter of commendation from the post commander.

The program was instituted to promote safe driving habits among Presidio personnel. On and off post, with or without reward, safe driving always pays off.



(U.S. Army Photos by Sp5 R. Read)

*Your best friend's man*

### Presidio profile

## MP polices pets

When Sergeant Michael Vierra arrived at the Presidio he was just another MP. Little did he know he would soon become known as the "post dog catcher."

Animal control warden could well be his more proper and official title, although Mike's duties still fall within the realm of his MP MOS.

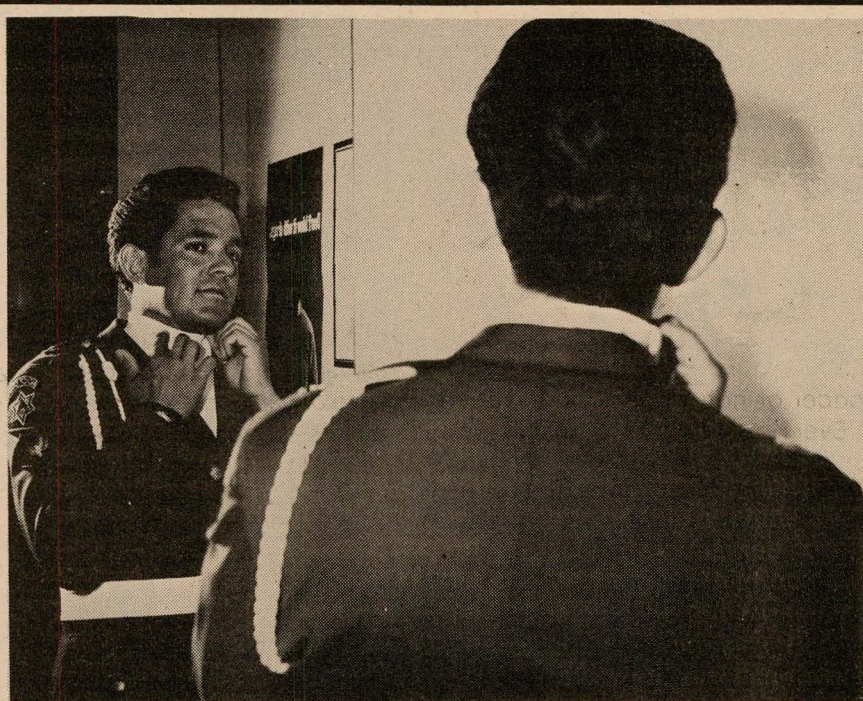
When he stepped into this unique position, the job of handling animals was not unfamiliar to him — the parents of this 24-year-old California native raised dogs for many years.

Although he's assigned to the Provost Marshal Division, it's easy to understand why Mike has a close working relationship with the Post Veterinary Activity. Mike "catches" the stray or uncontrollable pets — the vets, in turn, care for the animal and attempt to con-

tact its master.

Mike's 18 months here have brought many changes in the animal control operation. Once the responsibility of all MP's on a part-time basis, it's now full-time and handled exclusively by him. The animal control van that cruises around post was specially equipped by Mike for the job and replaces a pick-up that was once used.

In his travels, Mike also keeps his eyes open for abandoned vehicles and arranges for their disposal. Prior to being assigned here, Mike saw tours of duty in the Lone Star State and the land of beer and young frauleins. Because of his avid interest in flying, you'll find Mike "off into the wild blue yonder" on most week-ends.



*He reflects*

This is the mirror image of Specialist Four Arturo Aguirre making a last-minute adjustment to his white honor guard cravat. More important, it's the proud reflection that he casts upon himself and the 402d MP Battalion as PSF's May Soldier of the Month. Arturo, 23, a native of El Paso, Texas, is indeed the image of his off-duty interest, too . . . sports.

(U.S. Army Photo by J. Marzette)

## MORE def·i·nī·tions

### re·serve'

General Ralph E. Haines, Jr., CONARC commander, is scheduled to speak at a luncheon of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International July 4. The luncheon, to be held at the San Francisco Hilton, is open to all military personnel and their civilian guests. For reservations call Ext. 4192.

### re·lief'

If you need some free time or want to spend a night on the town, drop your children off at the Post Nursery. A nominal fee of 45 cents an hour provides the best in babysitting care for your child. Carefully supervised play activities and interesting games, indoors and out, entertain the youngsters. Use of the nursery is limited to four hours a day or two full days a week for children between the ages of six months and eight years. Hours of operation are: Monday thru Friday from 7:15 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, noon to 1 a.m.; and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For additional information contact the nursery at Ext. 3588.



### read·ing

"A Historical Tour of the Presidio" is this year's theme in the Post Library's summer reading club for dependent children in grades one thru eight.

During the ten-week program, each child is asked to read two books a week and then discuss what he's read with the librarian and other children in the group. In the course of the program, an actual tour of the post is planned for members of the club and each member will receive a certificate of completion at the end of his reading program.

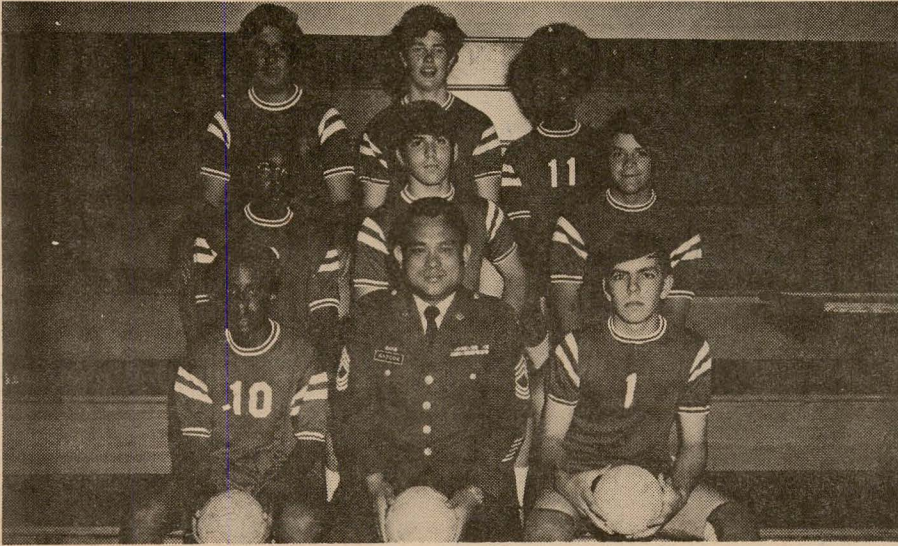
Registration is now open. Contact the Post Library at Ext. 5037 for further information.

### re·spond'

A great many Presidio teenagers are seeking summer jobs and Army Community Service is trying to place them. If you need work done on a full, part-time or one-time basis, ACS says the teenagers will do just about anything. Call 561-5155 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. for more information.

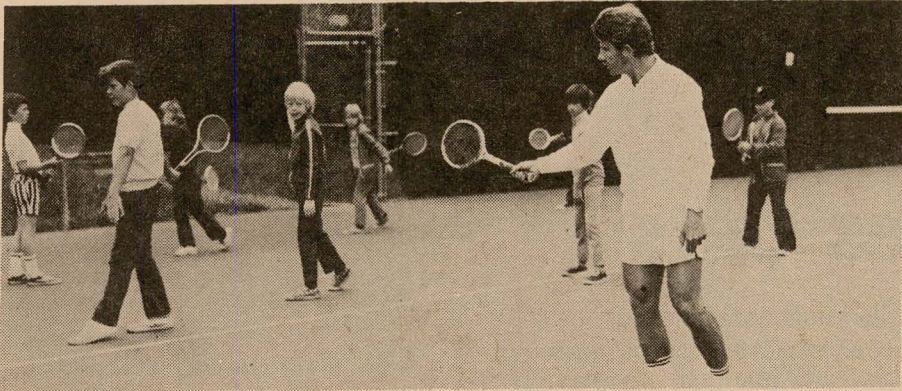
# Suggestion awards pay off in \$'s





Dependent's sports . . .

The Presidio Youth Handball Team, coached by Master Sergeant Gascon, will be at Ft. Ord next week to compete in the Sixth Army Youth Handball Championship. (U.S. Army Photo by Sp4 B. Close)



. . . in full swing

The Dependent Tennis Clinic, which started June 19 and runs through August 25, is now in full swing at the Infantry Terrace Courts. Youths eight thru 17 receive instruction from Jim McLennan, the Presidio's new resident tennis pro.

For those of you who enjoy viewing a good match, don't forget the Post Tennis Tournament on Monday. (U.S. Army Photo by Sp5 R. Read)

## FOCUS ON SPORTS

### PSF team wins 21-5 over Nelson

On June 15 the PSF Fast Pitch Softball Team defeated the Lord Nelson City League team 21-5 at Ft. Scott Field.

The Lord Nelson Team scored three unearned runs in the first inning, on one hit and two errors. PSF scored one run in the first inning on singles by Sp4 Neihaus, 30th MP Battalion, and Sp4 Pecora, 170th MP Company.

The Nelson Team scored two more runs in the second inning, to

finalize their game score. PSF came back in the second inning with five singles — six runs.

In the third inning the PSF Team really found their sticks, scoring twelve runs, highlighted with home runs by Lt Rose and Sp4 Breslin of the 170th MP Company.

PSF completed their scoring in the sixth inning when Lt Blatnik of the Post Provost Marshall Office hit a home run with a man on base.

For up to the minute San Francisco and Oakland team scores and standings call SPORTSDIAL at 478-9560. SPORTSDIAL is a public service provided by the San Francisco EXAMINER and KSFO radio.

## plan some fun

### A's

If you're the type who knows two weeks in advance what you want to do, you can save a buck and take yourself out to a ball game (naturally peanuts and cracker jacks are extra).

The Oakland A's are offering servicemen a dollar discount to selected home games from now to September.

To take advantage of this deal, you must plan some fun by sending the A's a discount coupon two weeks prior to the game you wish to see. If the coupons haven't touched base with you yet, pick one up at the Presidio Service Club, Bldg. 135.

### Stubs

Does your ticket stub look bigger? It will on Sunday when admission to flicks at the Post Theater increases from 35 to 50 cents. But if you hide your age well, or are indeed under 12, two bits will still get you in. Two or three additional loose coins (unless you pay in pennies) will do the tricks. That's cheap — the same flick in town costs two or three extra tight bills!

### Get together

If fun is your trip and you're a dependent attend a college-age dance on June 28 at 8 p.m. Sponsored by the Presidio Women's Club, the scene is at Ft. Scott's Log Cabin. It's free and informal. For more details, rap with Mrs. Bien at Ext. 4572. Get it together at the get-together!

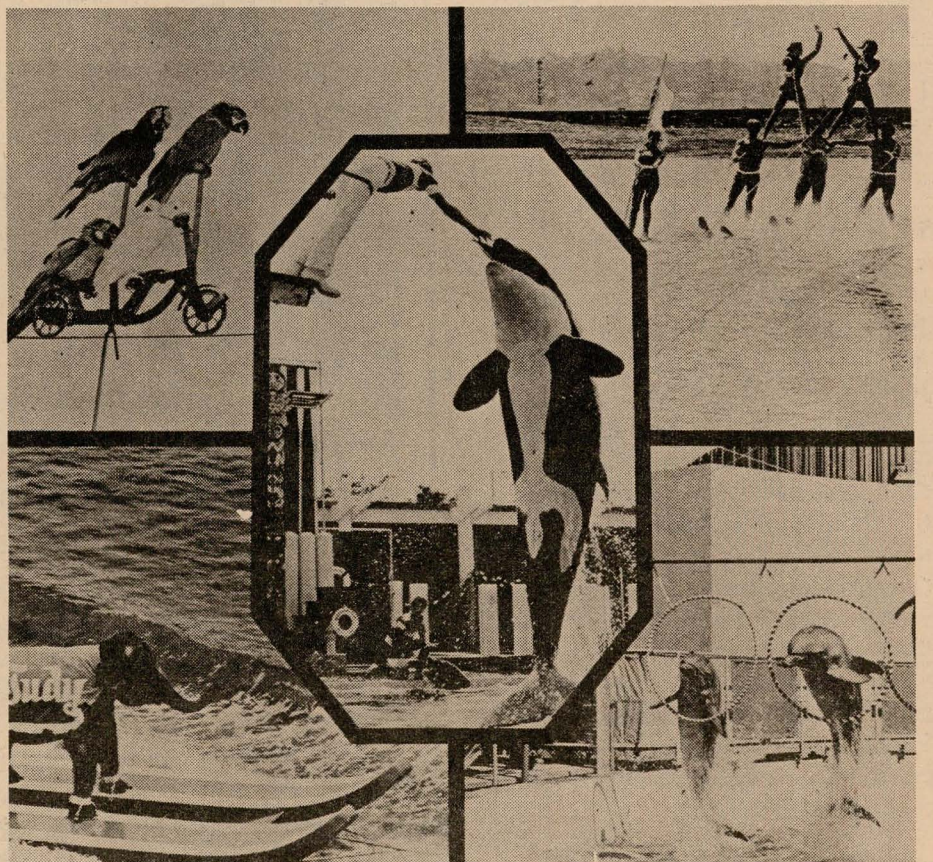
### Jungle meets sea

If you're hunting for a bargain, arm yourself with ID card, jump in the Land Rover, and venture 23 miles south to the "wilds" of Redwood City. There, the darkest jungle meets the deep blue sea, where 600 jungle beasts have been affection-trained to live in open space, uncaged, with the creatures of the ocean. There, Africa U.S.A. joins Marine World.

Servicemen can take a sea safari for \$2.95, 20 per cent less than the regular entrance fee. For this price (which includes native guides and

bearers), you'll tour the jungles of the world from a primitive raft, see killer whales perform a ballet or a lion on water skis, and be able to pet elands, aoudads, and situngas — whatever they are. And if your feet get tired, you can always travel on the back of an elephant or camel!

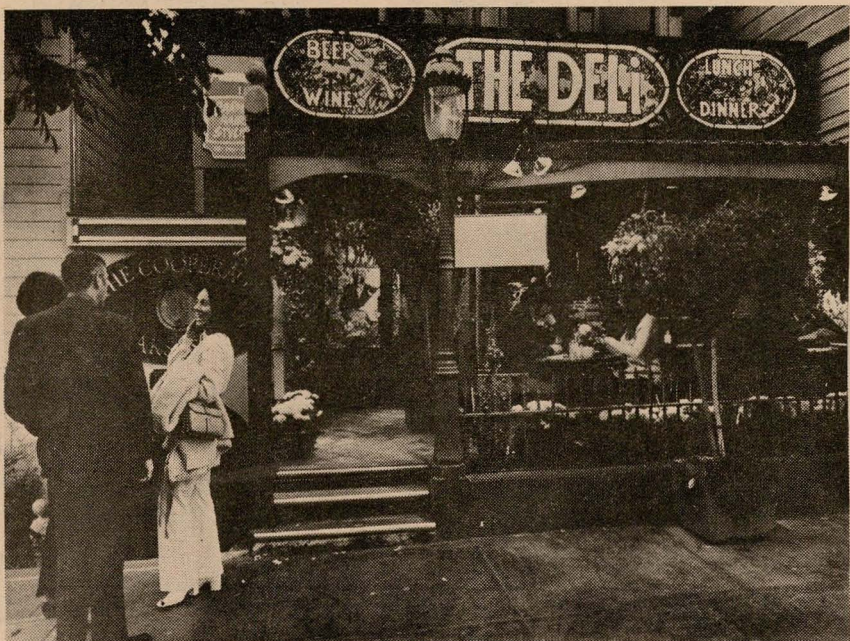
Plan some fun — your Africa U.S.A./Marine World adventure has just begun. Marine World has gone wild — absolutely wild from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. daily.



(Photo courtesy of Marine World/Africa U.S.A.)

Let PLAN SOME FUN highlight your special happening or hangout!



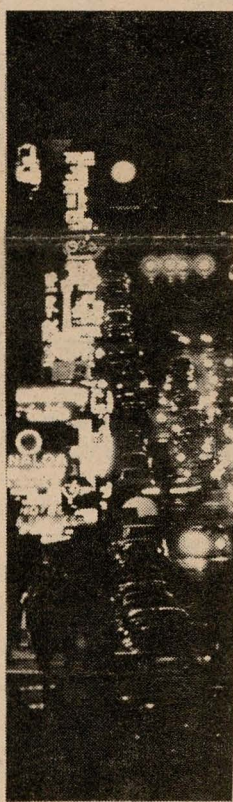
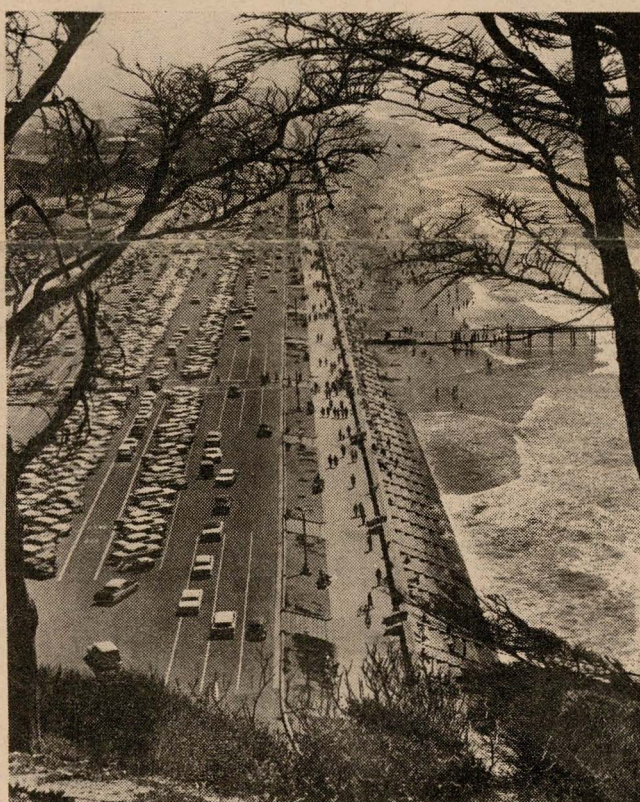
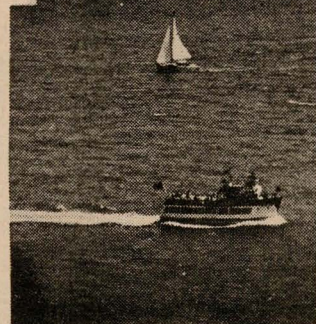
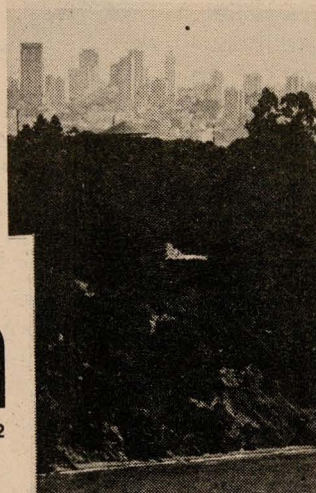


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Get away to it all this summer!

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# SAN FRANCISCO

## EVERYBODY'S FAVORITE CITY

The Presidio's location, in the midst of a city billed as one of the most cosmopolitan in the world, creates the ideal situation for getting away to it all this summer. There's no end to San Francisco's wealth of off-duty doings. The calendar of events is as thick as the fog and what's more important, it can cost very little to discover why San Francisco is "Everybody's Favorite City".

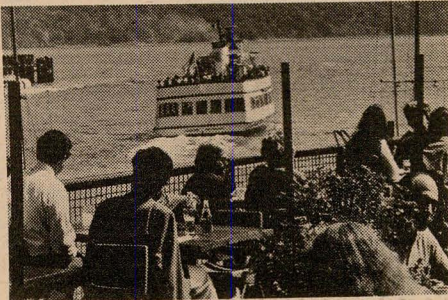
The San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau at Fox Plaza and the Presidio Service Club are good sources of information about city events and outings. For recorded information on events in San Francisco on any given day, phone 391-2000. 561-2000 puts you in touch with Rich Washburn who mans the Service Club ticket information desk and helps the serviceman get away to it all with free tickets and discounts.

Gaining insight into modern San Francisco and her rise and role as a world city is made easier with an understanding of her past. Pioneer Hall at 456 McAllister (closed in August) houses California and city displays covering the years prior to 1850. It's maintained by the Society of California Pioneers and admission is free. The Wells Fargo Bank History Room (420 Montgomery) and Bank of California's Collection (400 California) concentrate on the "gold rush" era. Both are open only during regular banking hours; however, no deposit is required to get in. The California Historical Society maintains a small museum and library at 2090 Jackson. Information and displays cover almost 200 years of state and city historical happenings. Sight and sound tricks let you live the city's historic beginnings and its catastrophes and celebrations in the Theatre Atop Ghirardelli Square. You are there as you watch the 45-minute flick, *San Francisco Experience*. Servicemen with ID cards can witness history being

made for \$1.25, 50 cents off regular admission.

To see the most of San Francisco in the least amount of time, do a tour. There are day tours, night tours, club tours, bus tours, car tours, boat tours, walking tours, and more tours. The United Service Organization (USO) offers the best city bus tour for the soldier and at the right price. It's free and departs 1017 Market Street every Saturday afternoon. In addition, the USO, Armed Services YMCA, and Presidio Service Club sponsor many free tours and outings in San Francisco and its surrounding area throughout the year. All are worth a call or visit when payday seems a long way off. Gray Line bus tours (771-4000), which explore San Francisco and most of Northern California, will let military personnel and their dependents board for half price.

If you have wheels, the 49-mile scenic drive, marked by blue-and-white seagull signs, is a half-day drive through the city's most



scenic and historic points. It starts nearby, on the Presidio side of the Golden Gate Bridge, and maps can be obtained from the Visitors Bureau. Many city garages and car rental agencies have auto tape tours, which direct you along a planned route with suggested stops and informative, running narrative on the points of interest. Do-it-yourself bicycle and walking tours are inexpensive and popular ways of seeing the city and some of its more out of the way sights.

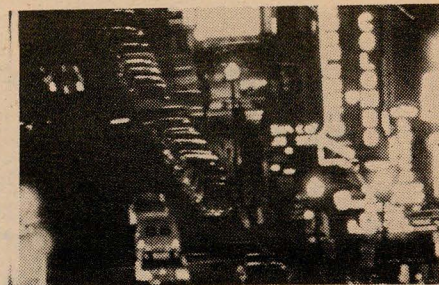
More breathtaking views of the city are from above or out upon her bay. Two Army chopper

flights, each carrying ten voyagers, lift off from Crissy Field on the first Saturday of each month. Get on the no charge manifest at the Service Club not later than the Thursday before you plan to catch a hop. Be sure your flight gear includes uniform and dog tags. Have a bon voyage on any number of bay excursions. Most hoist anchor from piers 43½ to 45, near Fisherman's Wharf, and most book passage at



reduced military fares. The hour plus cruises span the waves between the Golden Gate and Oakland Bay Bridges and sail around Alcatraz and Angel Islands. For a voyage of fewer nautical miles, ferry across the bay to Sausalito or Belvedere-Tiburon, hillside artisan towns with their shops and restaurants. Crossings are frequent and cast off from the Embarcadero's Ferry Building and Fisherman's Wharf piers.

While you still have your sea legs and if ship's bells aren't ringing too late, the Fisherman's Wharf area has a fleet of interesting undertakings in store. Watching the fishermen unload their catch makes the seafood, purchased at the many sidewalk stalls and restaurants that dot the surrounding streets, a special treat. For a small fee, one can walk the gangplank of the three-masted *Balclutha*, a floating museum of maritime history, or board the old-time schooners and ferryboat riding the tides at the San Francisco Maritime State Historical Park, at the foot of Hyde Street. At the foot of Polk Street is the Maritime Museum, (again, no entrance fee) housing a collection of ship figureheads, rep-



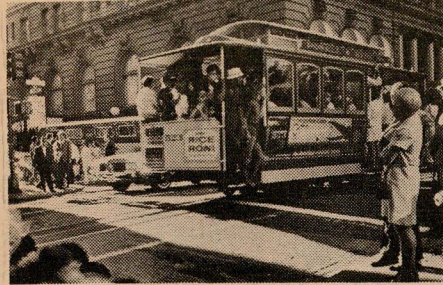
licas, anchors, shipwreck relics and all manner of sea lore relating to the city's maritime history. The largest Wax Museum in North America and Ripley's Believe-It-Or-Not Museum are also a short walk from the Wharf. For wares from across the seven seas it's Cost Plus Imports or the many shops in the Cannery, where the "catch" was once processed and packaged, and at Ghirardelli Square, a one-time chocolate factory.

For an exhilarating lift, and only 25 cents, ride the rollicking cable cars, a cherished and vital part of the city's public transportation system. After a day of ups and downs on San Francisco's inclines, the cars retire to the corner of Washington and Mason Streets. There at the cable car barn is the machinery which propels the only national landmarks on wheels and a museum of cable car relics of a forgotten era. Like the breathtaking views thrown in on the roller coaster type rides, visitors are welcomed to the barn at no charge.

San Francisco's Chinatown, the largest Chinese community outside of Asia, is a blend of old eastern ways and neon westernism. Grant Avenue, its main artery, has all the sights, sounds, smells, and tastes of Hong Kong or Canton. The city also boasts a Japantown. Trips to these Oriental adventures require no immunization or passport.

Since the early days of the Barbary Coast, San Francisco has had the reputation of being a city for night people.

After a hard day in the "salt mines," the locals flock to the pasture of their favorite pub or tavern, where, needless to say, little monetary gain is made from the sale of milk. On any given week night, from about 4:30 p.m. until they close, the corner establishments of Wall Street West (financial district) and other areas are



wall-to-wall people. An outstanding time to meet and mix.

From here, one might be found continuing his nocturnal pursuits in North Beach. There the night club-and discotheque-studded thoroughfares of Grant, Columbus, Kearny, and Montgomery intersect Broadway, for obvious reasons dubbed San Francisco's "strip." Watch the money and people! Cow Hollow's funky Union Street offers more night-time amusement, again with few dairy product profits.

A more reserved evening might find one at the San Francisco Symphony, where an active duty ID card is a ticket to free admission. Check with the Service Club for savings on live performances at the American Conservatory Theatre (ACT), The Committee, and other legit theatre productions playing the city. In-town flicks are always big and current but carry inflated admission charges.

No matter what time of year or what type of food you like, there's never a hassle finding a good place to eat in San Francisco. The only problems, maybe, are trying to decide among the city's 2600 eateries or avoiding occasional "rip-off" prices. (To help you out, try *The San Francisco Underground Gourmet*, a paperback guide to Bay area meals from one dollar to \$3.75.)

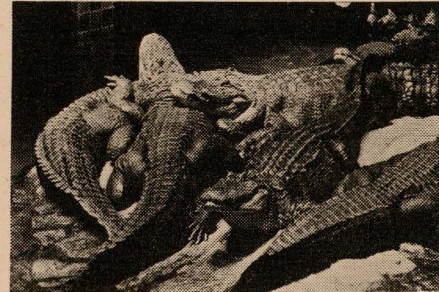
San Franciscans take to the great outdoors in the summer and many a reasonable meal can be found served under sun or stars. Union Street (hip and lots of local color) and the Ghirardelli-Cannery-Fisherman's Wharf (a crush of tourists) areas have the largest selection of restaurants with outdoor service. Both also offer the added attraction of people-watching!

Picnics are "in" anywhere in Golden Gate Park — all types of people to watch here and not so hard on the budget.

Most meals seem to taste better

in San Francisco because they're accented by two local favorites — sourdough French bread and Northern California wine. The Sunday brunch, served in many of the city's restaurants, is another tradition to keep in mind when planning to eat out in San Francisco.

Nowhere in San Francisco compares to Golden Gate Park when it comes to summer recreational and cultural outings. Spanning some 50 city blocks, and covering an area measuring 3 miles by ½ mile, its 1,000 lush acres have it all — beaches and grass for sunbathing, picnicking, or just relaxing; playgrounds for the kids; trails for hiking, biking, and horseback riding; lakes for boat-



ing and casting; and courts, greens, courses, and fields for baseball, basketball, football, soccer handball, tennis, badminton, volleyball, polo, horse-shoes, archery, and golf.

Although the entire park is an ecologist's delight, the Conservatory, Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens, and Japanese Tea Garden are all of special note. In their greenhouses flourish every imaginable species and variety of plant, flower, and tree. The weekend gardener will be green with envy!

Golden Gate's Academy of Sciences offers everything under the sun and is worth several visits. And, why not — there one can discover the mysteries of the deep in Steinhart Aquarium or march through time in the Halls of Science for free. In addition servicemen can star gaze in Morrison Planetarium for half price, 50 cents with ID card.

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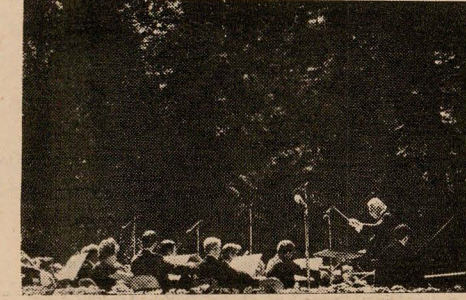
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For information on activities in other city parks or to reserve Golden Gate's larger picnic areas or athletic fields, call the Recreation and Park Department at 558-4268. They can also supply a Tri-Park bicycle route map.

Two miles south of Golden Gate Park are the world famous San Francisco Zoological Gardens. Young and old alike will marvel at the zoo's many resi-



dents. The gardens also contain a safe, enclosed children's petting and feeding zoo and a fairy-tale Storyland — definitely for kids only!

San Francisco's streets, parks, squares, and sidewalks abound with open-air artistry during the warmer months. Becoming a tradition, and ranging from the young artist's "showing" in Union Square or the modern-day minstrel "playing" the Cannery or Ghirardelli, to the more classical performances in Golden Gate Park or Stern Grove, these can provide many hours of enjoyment and, more important, are some of the best free entertain-

Each Saturday at 1 p.m., Golden Gate Park features the best in big band concerts. On Sundays at 2 p.m., the towering trees of Sigmund Stern Grove provide the setting for opera, symphony, or Broadway musical performances. Starting in late August, a 25-piece brass band will give 2 p.m. outdoor concerts on Sundays at the Palace of Fine Arts.

Few weekends go by that the Artist's Guild of San Francisco is not on the scene at Golden Gate Park or the Marina with a collection of paintings.

Spectator sports, chiefly baseball, are big every summer in the Bay area — home base for the San Francisco Giants and Oakland A's. Both teams keep the serviceman's budget in mind. Giants' games at Candlestick Park are free to those in uniform. The A's give you a dollar discount coupon, available at the Service Club, to mail in before their games at the Coliseum.

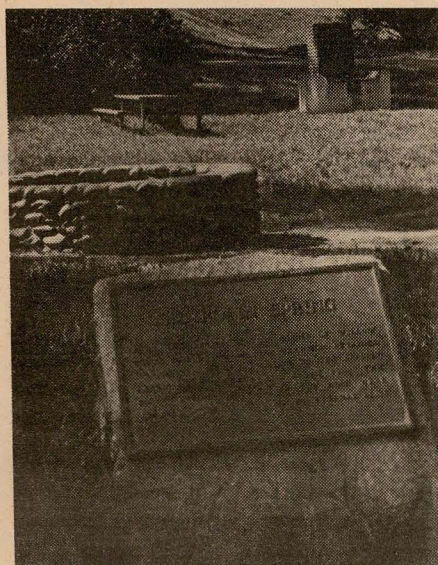
Pro football fans should note that the San Francisco 49ers and Oakland Raiders begin pre-season home exhibition games in August.

Sundays in July and August mean Roller Derby in Golden Gate Park's Kezar Stadium. Admission is half price with an active duty ID card, and you can save some gas here — the Service Club provides free bus transportation.

Get involved in it all at the Palace of Fine Arts' Exploratorium, just outside the Presidio's main gate. There you become a part of scientific, technological, and human perception exhibits. Because you're what makes the displays tick, there's no charge.

Two internationally known shows will hit San Francisco this summer. From August 9 to September 10, Winterland, scene for many a recent rock concert, will host the 36th edition of the Ice Follies. The Cow Palace, famed exhibition and convention hall, sets up three rings daily for the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus coming to town August 30 thru September 4.

There's much much more, but if you should run out of places and things in San Francisco — get away to it all in Oakland's Jack London Square or Museum, or any of the numerous towns on the East Bay. **GBG**

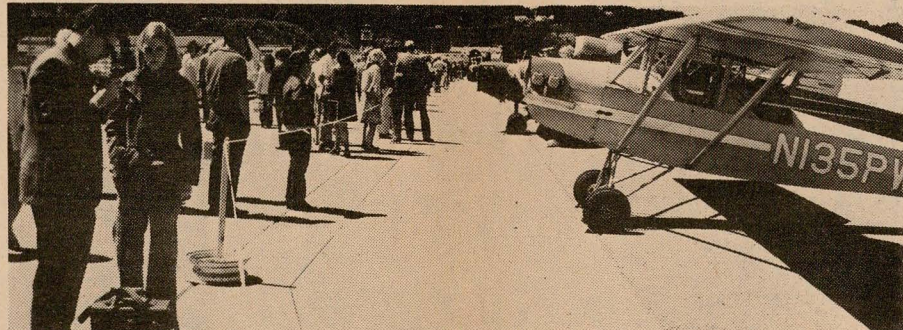


El Polin Spring's magic waters provide one setting for a Presidio picnic. It is one of many stops on the post's historic walking tour. The trail is outlined on a map available from the Sixth Army Public Affairs Office or the MP Information Center.

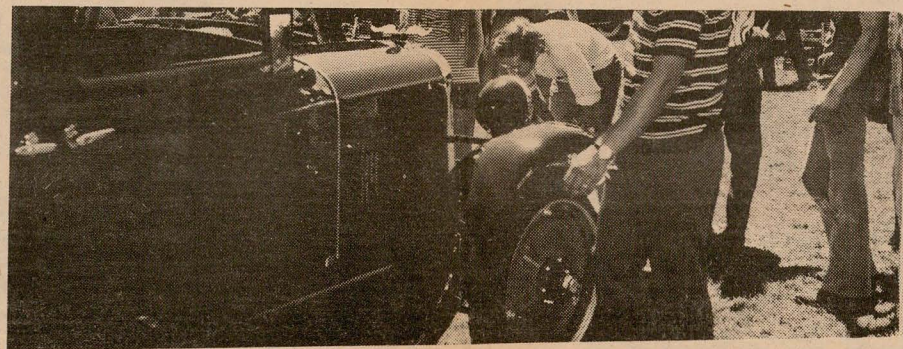
At Arguello Gate is the 18-hole Presidio Golf Course. Officers must be members to play but enlisted need only pay green fees. If you don't own golf clubs or need other sports equipment, Special Services has a sports checkout service at the Fort Scott gym.



## Summer '72 at the Presidio

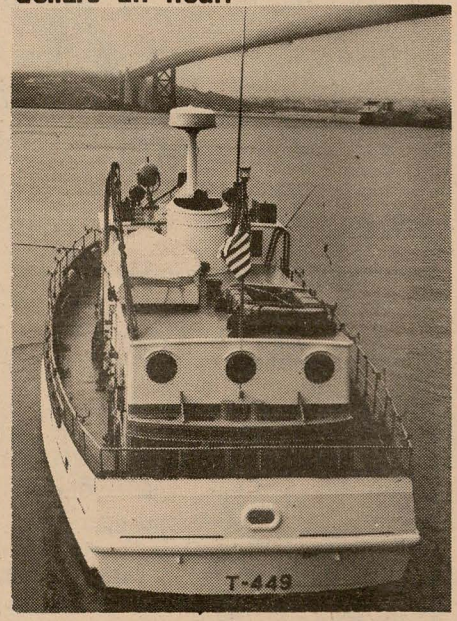


On August 13, the Presidio and Crissy Field will again host the Golden Gate Concours d'Elegance (classic automobiles) and Antique Air Show.

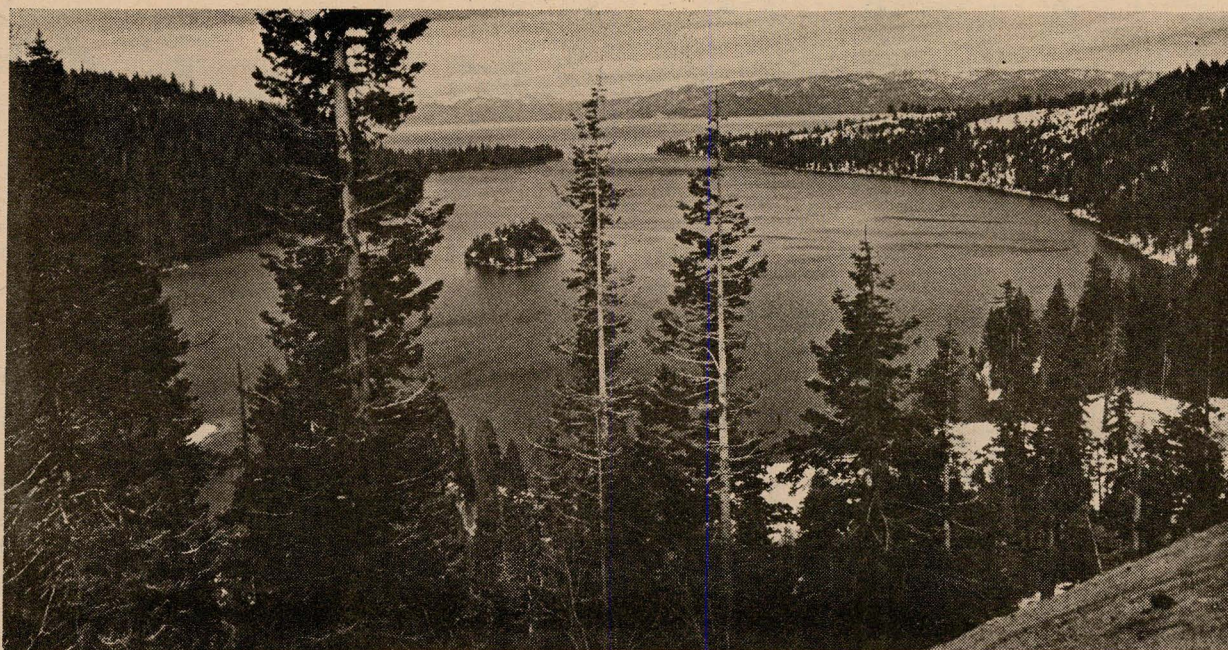


All are invited, at no charge, to hear the Sixth Army band as their sounds echo through historic Fort Point this summer. The outdoor concerts will feature music of the 1800's, much of it Spanish, and will be held on September 3 and 24 at 2 p.m. Standing guard over San Francisco Bay at the base of the south tower of the Golden Gate Bridge, Fort Point, built during the Civil War, is similar to Fort Sumter and is the only one of its type in the West. Admission to this National Park Service Fort and its military museum is free.

Presidian and Waterqueen are post-operated, sea-going fishing boats. Lotteries are held by Special Services to select up to three parties of eight anglers for each outing. Each party pays three dollars an hour.







*Emerald Bay at Lake Tahoe offers water sports and an excellent view of the shoreline. Rewarding night life on Nevada's state line is here too.*

## *Getting away- north, south, east*

By Barbara Filbert

There are all kinds of adventures to be had within a short distance of San Francisco. You can fish, hike, sunbathe, camp, or visit a ghost town. Maybe beachcombing, surfing, or a walk among the giant redwoods is your thing. Trips from San Francisco can take you north or south along the Pacific or east toward the Sierra Nevada Mountains.

Within an hour after crossing the Golden Gate, you can reach the Russian River resorts, which offer many water-oriented activities. Northern California wine country is centered near there in Napa, Sonoma, and Mendocino counties. A pamphlet, "California's Wine Wonderland," a guide to touring historic grape and wine districts, is available free from the Wine Institute, 717 Market Street, San Francisco (telephone: 986-0878). Wineries welcome visitors with free tasting and tours. Charles Krug, Christian Brothers, and Italian Swiss Colony are the better known ones. Beware the highway patrol when departing! Knock on wood, the Petrified Forest is only a few miles north of the wineries.

Even farther north the redwoods begin, and in the city of Fort Bragg you can board the "Skunk Train" for a trip through the forests. Humboldt Redwood State Park offers the Avenue of the Giants; and you can even drive your car through a tunneled-out tree.

Africa USA/Marine World is 45 minutes south of San Francisco. Servicemen get a discount here. In San Jose, you can see the Winchester Mystery House built by the family of early firearm fame. It's billed as the world's largest, oddest dwelling. Nearby is the Paul Masson Champagne Cellar (more tasting and touring) — also weekend musical programs during July and August. The wine and mood music may put you to sleep.

To the south is Santa Cruz offering sandy beach-

es, fishing, and rides along the boardwalk. Monterey and Carmel have scenic views, artist colonies, and more coastal beaches. The endless summer starts here, and surfing is year-round.

While you're in the Monterey area, the Laguna Seca Raceway offers the serviceman a 25 percent discount on sportscar and motorcycle meets.

Somewhat far, but worth a visit, is Hearst Castle, built by the multi-millionaire newspaper publisher. On his "Enchanted Hill" you can view the breathtaking grounds and castle. More time will allow you to visit Los Angeles and Southern California — home of Disneyland, beaches, and Hollywood.

East over the Bay Bridge and within an hour from the "City" is Sacramento, California's historic capital. Farther down the road is El Dorado country — gold rush territory. There, Sutter's Mill, site of the first gold discovery, has been reconstructed as it stood in the 19th century. In many places, you can still pan for the yellow nuggets.

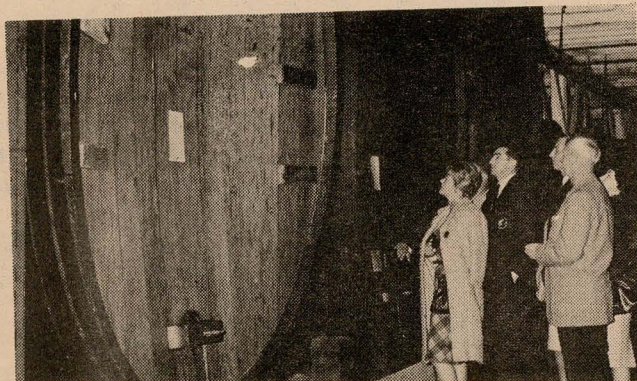
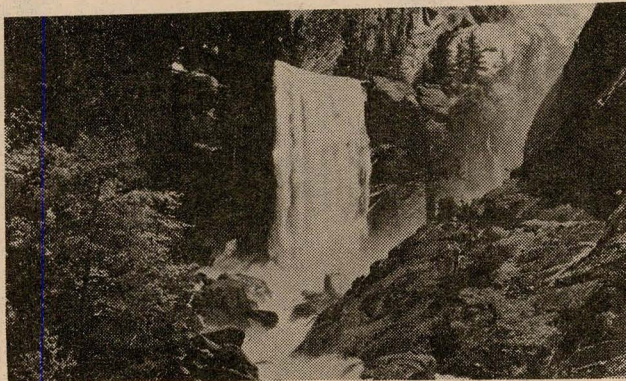
Water sports, scenery, plus night life, equal Lake Tahoe, high in the Sierra Nevada Mountains on the California-Nevada border. Check with the hotels as some offer military discounts.

Yosemite lies to the south of Tahoe and has all activities which go hand in hand with a National Park. It exhibits the sheerest walls and finest array of waterfalls to be found in California.

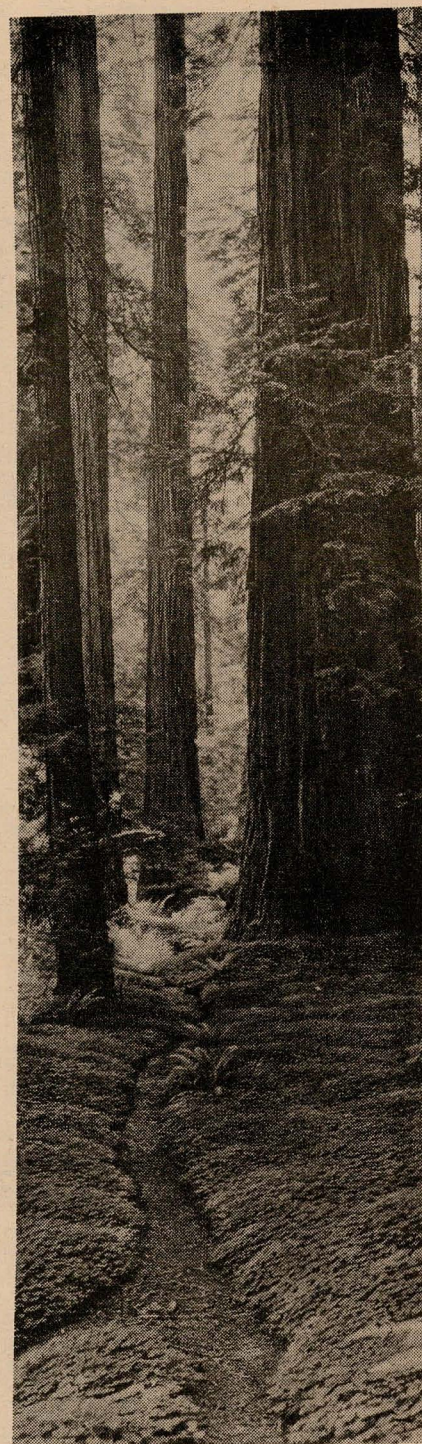
Second only to Las Vegas is Reno across the Nevada border with its exciting night life. If you play your cards right, a trip to Reno could be very inexpensive. Between Tahoe and Reno, see Virginia City and her "ghosts" from the silver mines of the past! Main Street is a blend of 1972 and days gone by.

To get away to it all, take your choice, any direction — you're bound to find something new, different, and exciting.

*Yosemite, with its sheer walls and finest waterfalls, is for the outdoorsman.*



*Tasting and touring are "in" at the many wineries in Napa, Sonoma, and Mendocino counties.*



*The redwoods tower over many state parks with their trails, streams, beaches, and campsites.*



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## inside: drink up the straight dope

**"SHOULD POT BE LEGAL?"**, asked the *Star Presidian's* roving reporter. What do you think?

**GRANNY HIPSHOT** discusses things your grandmother never told you about drugs and alcohol.

**THE ABUSERS.** Alcoholics talk: Addict writes.

**THE PROFESSIONALS AND PARA-PROFESSIONALS.** Who they are and what they are doing to help the Presidio cope with alcohol and drug abuse.

## Exemption replaces amnesty & immunity

(Up Front House) AMNESTY and IMMUNITY are dead! EXEMPTION is the current Army policy designed to allow an individual to seek rehabilitation for drug use.

Under exemption, the soldier will not be subject to criminal prosecution nor discharge under other than honorable conditions, based on examination and identification of his dependency on drugs or having volunteered for treatment. Exemption extends to drug use and possession of a quantity of drugs for personal use.

A soldier is not eligible for exemption after being arrested for a drug offense, or when he is officially warned by military or civilian authorities that he is suspected of drug abuses. Exemption must be sought prior to apprehension or official warning.

Individuals who are found to have positive results from the mandatory urinalysis program are automatically covered by exemption.

Exemption does not preclude suspension or withdrawal of security clearances, changes in duty assignment, or other administrative actions, including investigation of criminal activities. In addition, a member's records might be flagged or he might be assigned a temporary profile. These actions are left to the discretion of the individual's CO.

A soldier may seek exemption from his commanding officer, his unit Drug Education Specialist, or the Drug Rehabilitation Center — (Down Front House).

## DACs now have own alcohol AR

(Up Front House) In March, DA activated a new program for civilian employees to combat the disease of alcoholism. It's a new AR separate from those covering military members and their dependents.

DA recognizes that alcoholism is a condition which has social, psychological, and medical implications. It is a condition which is *preventable* and *treatable*. DA is not attempting to morally judge the use of alcohol off the job but is concerned with maximum work efficiency and job performance of all its civilian employees.

Utilizing this philosophy, the alcoholism program (as provided by AR 600-300) introduces nondisciplinary procedures by which a civilian employee with a self-admitted or medically diagnosed drinking problem is offered rehabilitation.

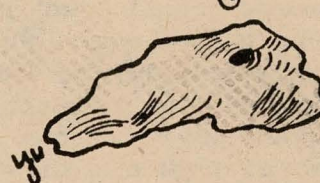
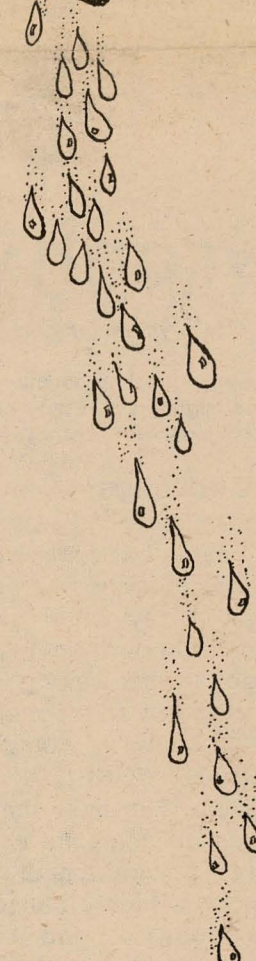
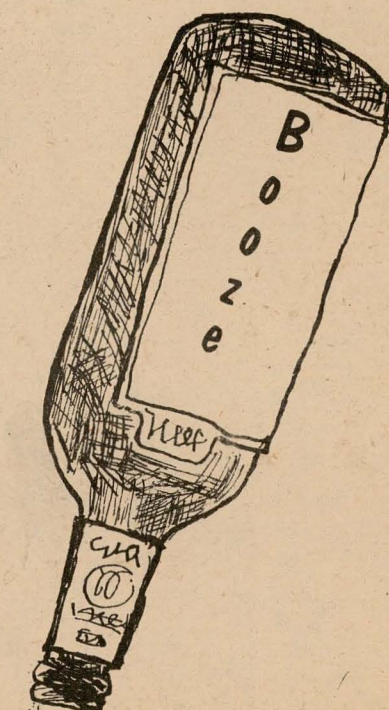
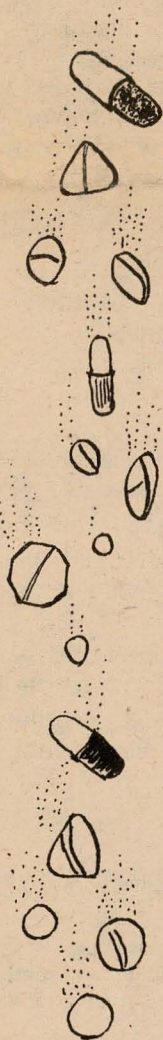
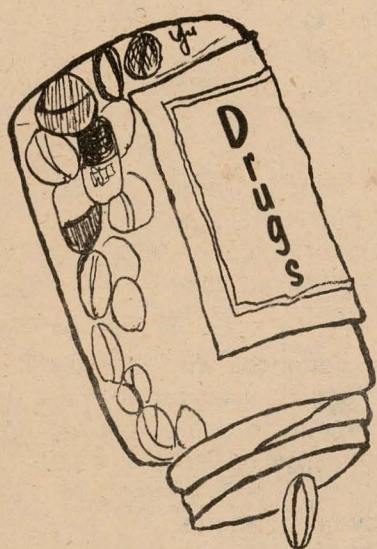
Disciplinary actions for offenses related to alcoholism may be suspended for employees who are

satisfactorily enrolled in an alcoholism rehabilitation program.

The reg is not intended to coddle employees with poor and inefficient work records. An individual who refuses rehabilitation or whose rehabilitation fails is subject to normal disciplinary actions and procedures. (Occasional relapse into drinking behavior is not considered automatic rehabilitation failure. Each case will be considered on individual merit).

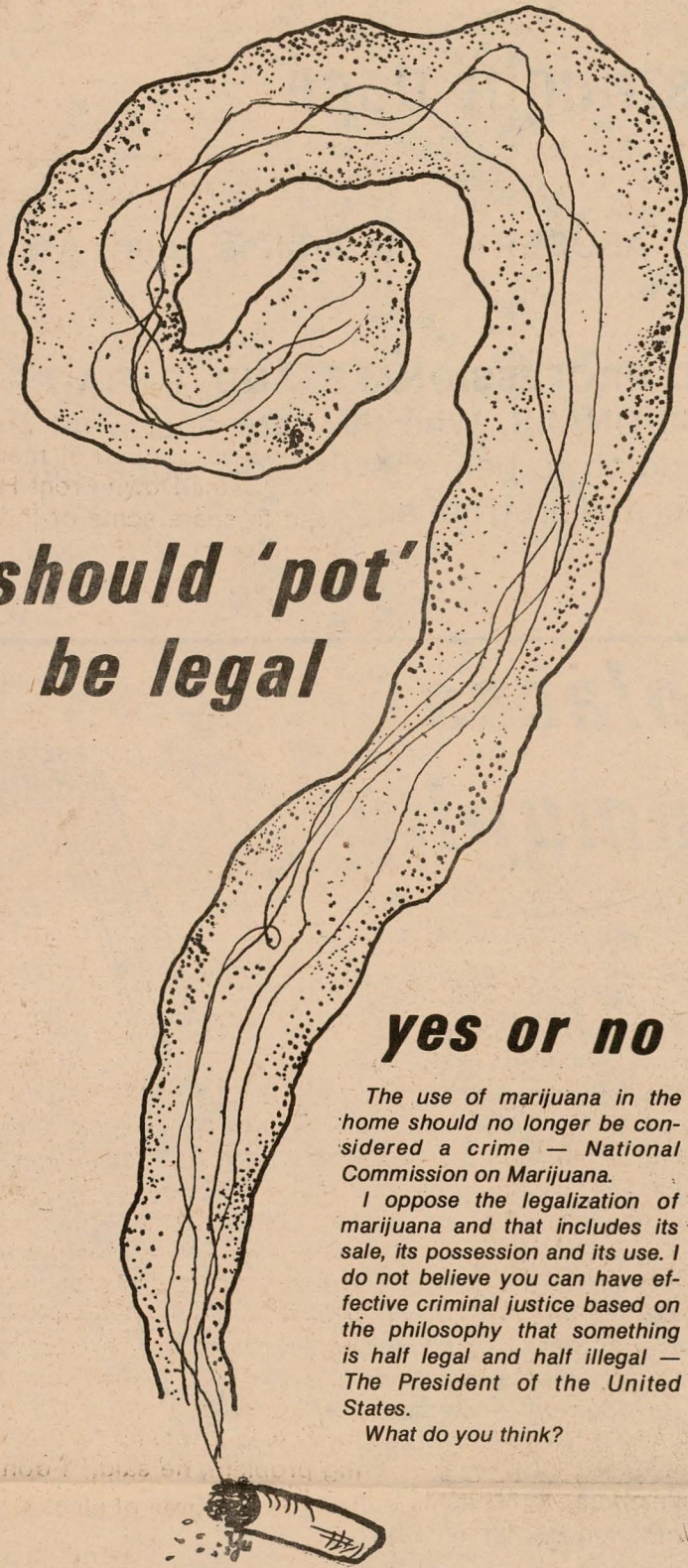
No one intends to "hunt down" individuals who may be problem drinkers, yet are performing their jobs efficiently and satisfactorily. The spirit of the program is to offer assistance to civilian employees before they have lost their jobs through problem drinking.

Be sure to read the Presidio's interpretation and implementation of this new AR, to be available soon. In addition, the Down Front House would be glad to answer any questions on AR 600-300. Call DRUG.



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*should 'pot'  
be legal*

*yes or no*

*The use of marijuana in the home should no longer be considered a crime — National Commission on Marijuana.*

*I oppose the legalization of marijuana and that includes its sale, its possession and its use. I do not believe you can have effective criminal justice based on the philosophy that something is half legal and half illegal — The President of the United States.*

*What do you think?*

## Granny Hipshot

*(things your grandmother never told you)*

We won't make any formal introductions. It's sufficient to say that granny has some ideas we thought you might enjoy. If you have any questions or thoughts about drugs or alcohol, bring them to Granny Hipshot's attention, c/o the STAR PRESIDIAN. — Ed.

**DEAR MRS. HIPSHOT:** My wife lived with her folks while I was in Nam. When I came back she was hitting the bottle, heavily. She has wine during the day when she irons and cooks and when I get home she's got a drink waiting for me. I know she's not an alcoholic (she's only 20), but I'm worried.

**FROM SERGEANT WORRIED**

**TO WORRIED:** The best thing anyone can do for someone who drinks heavily is be concerned. Alcohol is the most highly abused drug in the country, and too many people ignore the problem. According to what you've told me, your wife appears to show symptoms common to alcohol abuse. Wear fewer uniforms to cut down on her ironing and eat less, keeping her out of the kitchen. I would also suggest you both seek some professional guidance to learn more about alcohol abuse and alcoholism. (Call or visit Margie Stohner at the Alcohol/Drug Rehabilitation Center-Down Front House, Ext. DRUG) It may surprise you to know that alcoholism is a disease common to young and old alike. The difference is that older problem drinkers show obvious symptoms (shakes, blackouts, etc.).

**DEAR GRANNY:** My brother has been doing cocaine pretty heavy. The other day we were talking about chicks and he told me that coke is good for sex. He says it makes you more active and effective, you know? I think that's a lot of bull — so who's right?

**SIGNED, YOUNGER BROTHER**

**FOR YOUNGER:** Much to my eternal regret, there is no such thing as an aphrodisiac. The Greeks, Hindus, Orientals, and others have sought a love potion for thousands of years. There is no evidence of any such thing yet. However, never underestimate the power of positive thinking! Cocaine doesn't improve virility, but if your brother thinks he's sexier when stoned, chances are he's acting sexier and getting more satisfaction. I might add coke, as you call it, is classified as a narcotic by law and its use is illegal. (Behind bars, his sexual activity will surely be reduced.) Cocaine can produce some bad trips, too, such as, tremors, hallucinations, and violent, irrational behavior. (If you want more dope about coke, call or visit the Alcohol/Drug Education Center-Up Front House, Ext. LIFE.)

In keeping with the theme of this issue, the STAR PRESIDIAN's roving reporter, Sergeant Mike Clark, departs from his standard practice of asking a question related to PSF. Instead, he touches on the question of marijuana legalization. A special attempt was made to represent all sides, and names are withheld because of the delicate nature of the subject. — Ed.

Just because the President says it's wrong doesn't mean it's right — a civilian

Well, I think it should be legal in a person's home at least. Who is it going to hurt if I get high on pot in my own place. The only people that should get busted are those that sell grass to kids, the young ones like junior high and younger — a sergeant

No, never. I have talked to a lot of potheads and even when they haven't been smoking, they seem pretty spaced out — a master sergeant

Definitely, it hasn't killed anybody yet — a specialist four

As long as you aren't using names I will tell you the truth; yes, it should be. I have used it and see no reason not to continue to do so every so often. You can overdo anything, including tobacco, coffee, and aspirin. I see nothing wrong with smoking grass occasionally. It is a good way to relax and it doesn't leave you with a hangover — a major

One of the biggest problems now is a lack of any means of detecting marijuana in the body for legal purposes. The development of a means of detection would make legalization more likely — a civilian doctor

Based on personal experiences with marijuana, I see no real reason for keeping it illegal. It is not as dangerous as alcohol or hard drugs, and I am not aware of any lasting effects from its use — a private

I haven't decided yet, but I do believe it will be legalized within the next few years just as alcohol and a number of other drugs have been. I do hope that some kind of control will be maintained on its distribution and use even then — a lieutenant colonel

No, I think there is something wrong with people who have to use drugs of any kind, so why encourage them to continue taking something by making it easier — a lieutenant.

I am not really in favor of it, but legalization would make control of its use easier for the authorities, much the same as legalization of alcohol gave the government better control over who buys it and who distributes it — a colonel

No, I don't think so. I was a user for awhile, but I found myself beginning to form my activities around pot. The people I called friends were mostly smokers themselves, and our friendship was based mostly on getting and smoking it — a private first class

I don't know yet where I stand on that issue. I understand that they are still doing a lot of research to determine if marijuana has any permanent effect on the body so, at least for myself, I will leave it alone until they know for sure — a captain

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# Alcoholics talk for your benefit

By SSG Roland M. Taylor

Today, the drug scene seems to hold the spotlight as our most serious social problem. This is a false premise. Alcohol abuse is one of the nation's most serious problems — an illness which affects some nine million Americans. Only a fraction of these are being helped and rehabilitated, and this is due mostly to the age-old stigma and the image of the old drunken bum of countless skid rows. Thus, the patient and the illness have gone unchecked. But alcoholism is just another form of sickness that needs intensive treatment and understanding, not punishment, be it social or physical.

The military, having accepted this, has taken steps to treat both — patient and symptom — with understanding and medical and psychological help in order to restore the person to a productive individual. The Civil Service Commission and the Army now recognize alcohol abuse as a disease and health problem and is attempting to treat it as such, rather than as a disciplinary one. Their facts show millions of dollars are lost

annually because of drinking problems. They feel that many of these individuals can be rehabilitated.

Here at the Presidio, there is a unique program to help such people. It is called the Down Front House, a rehabilitation center for drug and alcohol abusers; where, a 24 hour-a-day inpatient/outpatient facility has been established for military and civilian personnel.

In January of this year, the Presidio's rehabilitation center was officially opened for the education and treatment of civilian and military personnel. Though still in its infancy, the facility's staff feels alot has been accomplished in such a short period of time. Said one staff counselor, "We expect even greater results, once much of

the old stigma and taboos have been overcome. Many of the military men are fearful of command reprisals and are reluctant to take part in the program." The rehabilitation program is strictly voluntary and runs on the honor system. That is, once achieving outpatient status, the individual is expected to continue with the prescribed outlines given to him by the counselors.

Three soldiers, two of them inpatients at the Down Front House agreed to share some of the intimate details of their drinking problems, in hopes others will benefit.

## Arrested 15 Times

**Client A** is 25, single, and an outpatient who has been an alcohol abuser for seven years. "The way I understand it, I was an alcoholic from the moment I took my first drink," he said. "Because of my drinking, I've been arrested 15 times, quit college during my first year, and reached a point where my whole life revolved around alcohol. Some of my worst experiences were during the number of times I was thrown in jail. I just couldn't do anything without alcohol. I was drinking a quart of booze a day. My alcohol bill was about \$75 a week. As for going on the wagon, I was on it so many times I can't count them. I got so bad I used to try and convince people I was on it and immediately fall flat on my face."

When asked to what degree he abused alcohol and if he felt the Army was to blame for his drinking problem, he said, "I don't feel there is a degree of alcohol abuse

**See more talk  
on back page**

## addict...

"This child told me everything except the extent of his drug experience," said Mrs. Percy Pilon, whose teenaged son killed himself in despair of overcoming his drug habit. Percy Patrick Pilon, 18, the youngest of seven children, was an industrious student, clean-cut and popular with his classmates.

"He was never a problem child," said Mrs. Pilon. But Saturday night, while his parents were out to dinner, 'Pat' wrote an account of his seven-month involvement with drugs. Then he killed himself with a shotgun.

Why? Part of the answer was in the rambling letter neatly folded beside him.

"If someone offers you drugs be more of a man than I was and say no," he wrote. "Learn from my mistakes. I don't want anyone to go through the hell I went through and am still going through.

"These friends of yours will offer stuff free, then start making you pay for it. Then they sell you harder stuff at discount prices, then boost the prices up when they got you hooked. Remember, the same person or friend who has grass will also be able to push heroin to you and for what? To make money for himself while he destroys you. People who push are the ones who want to destroy you and if you give them the chance they will," he warned.

The boy's 50-year-old father, a contractor, still was puzzled after the funeral.

"When you think about drugs, you think about irresponsible, long-haired hippies," said the fa-

ther. "The hard thing about this is that Pat was so normal . . . he was not rebellious or opposed to the draft and it made him mad to read about those who rioted and burned."

His parents first learned of Pat's drug habit last April. Police found the boy parked in the middle of a road in the family car. Doctors said he was under the influence of LSD. Pat promised his parents he



## ...writes

would get off drugs and they placed him under a physician's care. But in September, after one week in his first year of college, Pat was asked to leave because of drug experimentation.

In his letter, Pat wrote with sad authority when he pleaded with other teenagers not to experiment with drugs.

"I have used all types of drugs from hash, pot, acid to hard stuff," he wrote. "It's all a bad scene. The people who push it don't use it because they know it's bad stuff. They can see what it does to you. All you are doing is ruining your life and letting people make money through you. They are only using you . . ."

In the section addressed to his parents, Pat told them that drugs "clouded my thoughts of love, destroyed my ambitions, and ruined my family life which meant so much to me. Drugs have their small amounts of happiness, but for each moment lies a century of sadness never to be removed."

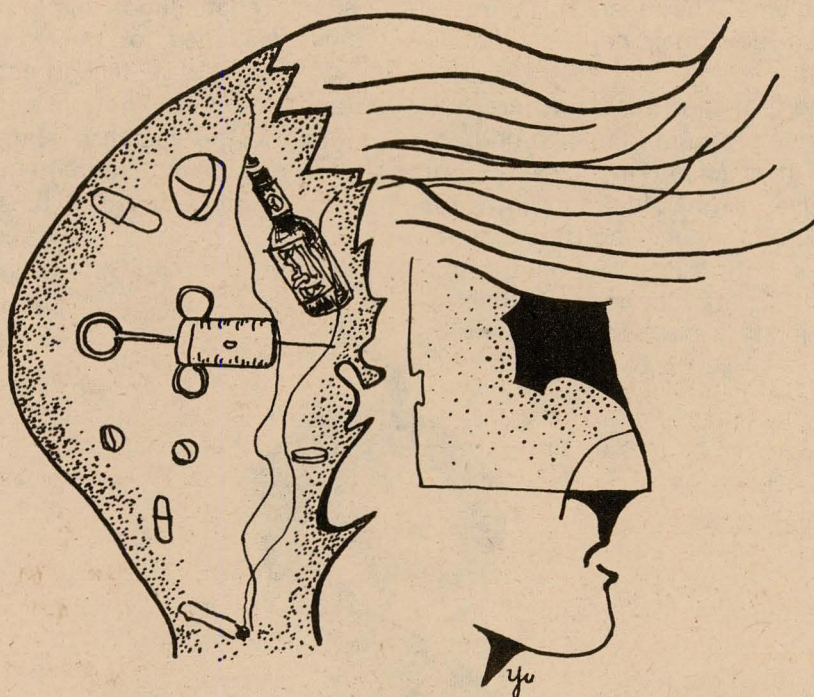


# Presidio alcohol/drug staff is diverse

Military and civilian; officer and enlisted; hip and straight; male and female; and young and old — all elements are represented on the staff which makes the Presidio Alcohol and Drug Prevention and Rehabilitation program tick. The education, training, and personal background of these 32 professionals and para-professionals are as diverse as the clients they handle or the duties they perform.

While most structured civilian-sponsored alcohol and drug programs rely heavily on the trained pro, the use of para-professionals, those without formal professional education, is common to Army prevention and rehabilitation efforts. About two-thirds of the staff here are para-professionals. According to Dr. Richard Mullins, PSF alcohol/drug program director, "the para-professionals, many who have had prior personal experience with alcohol or drug abuse, keep the pros honest and can often more easily relate to those we deal with. Because they get deeply involved in each individual case and have a strong drive to help each client, they offer something unique to the overall effectiveness of the program."

Serving active duty and retired military members, their dependents, and DA civilians in the geographic area served by LGH, the program's administration falls under the Presidio's jurisdiction. Lieutenant Colonel Jack Place, First Lieutenant Ila Mettee, and two civilian clinical psychologists provide supervision and guidance for the operation and staff, and handle the general day-to-day administrative tasks.



*Your mind is on their minds*

Although the actual "people-to-people" prevention and rehabilitation duties are conducted by four separate teams, interaction among the teams is a key to overall success.

Because it touches all individuals, not just abusers, the job of the five-member education team is to inform everyone in the Presidio community about drug and alcohol use and abuse. The three civilian and two enlisted members do this by conducting unit training sessions and group presentations, and maintaining the Up Front House as a drop-in education center. To date, their verbal, written, and audio-visual programs have been presented to some 2500

members of the Presidio's populous. They present factual information about chemical abuse, ways of handling abuse, and alternatives to the abuse with an underlying theme of catching it early and doing something about it. Prevention, eventually working themselves out of a job, is their goal.

Having been active in various treatment programs dealing with alcoholism, well qualifies the five civilian counselors who form the alcohol team. In dealing with a client's alcohol problem, they work with his total environment and try to reestablish a new life style for the individual. Thus, their counseling deals with the "big picture" and extends beyond the individual

to include his family, friends, and co-workers — every member within each of his role groups.

Handling drug clients is a full-time job for the five counselors who make up the drug team. Counseling here becomes more complicated because the individual involved with illegal drugs is often involved in other illegal type situations. Although some group rap sessions are used, getting involved with the drug client is usually on a one-to-one basis.

Thirteen staff members offering residential counseling compose the half-way house team. This counseling is handled in person-to-person and group settings. Team members help provide a complete community environment which is the abusers' transition before non-residential counseling and eventually getting back to independent functioning. This is where abusers are offered short-term, 24-hour care, and non duty hours live-in programs. Live-in care provides a complete social setting for the individual to find alternative ways of dealing with abuse problems and spending free time without the use of chemicals. Meditation, planned recreation and entertainment, and group meetings are part of the treatment.

"The Presidio Alcohol and Drug Prevention and Rehabilitation program is bigger than us," says Dr. Mullins. Coordination spans most staff sections and even includes a jack-of-all-trades team in the field, unit drug education specialists. Their duties incorporate, to a lesser extent and on an as-needed basis, those of each organized team and its members.

## More talk from alcoholics

### From inside

— it's all the same. The Army is conducive to drinking, regardless of what the circumstances, but I don't think the Army should be held responsible for a person's drinking habits. It should, however, offer some form of assistance to those who need it."

Why did he volunteer for the cure? "I did it for a very selfish reason, I did it all for myself. I knew that if I could ever get sober, I would again gain the respect of people and be accepted as a human being. Since starting with the program here at Down Front House, I went out once and had a good time but felt guilty about it. I didn't get drunk, but the next morning I had a bad feeling. I know now, that life feels so much better without the need and effects of alcohol. The euphoria one gets from drinking is a farce. There is more to life than drinking."

"A lot of people never realize that drinking is a game of Russian roulette — it can kill you. Only a few people have died from drugs, excluding those killed by an overdose, but you would be surprised at the number of persons who died from the effects of alcohol. It's unbelievable! Now that I understand this a little more, I've discovered the alcohol problem is like an iceberg. All you see is the tip of it but the bulk lies beneath the surface. People are beginning

to identify social problems and accept solutions a great deal better today than they did many years ago. At one time VD was never talked about openly; now the subject is discussed on the front pages of the newspapers. Alcohol and drugs should be treated the same way."

Has Client A been subjected to any ridicule from the officers and men of his unit? "Not one bit. In fact, some of the fellows find it hard to believe I ever had such a problem. I openly discuss my past with them, in hopes of saving them from this dreadful social disease. And I feel their acceptance of me has been honest and genuine. I double-date with a few of them. My first sergeant and commanding officer have accepted me, my problem, and my efforts to overcome it. They have even given me assignments of great responsibility, not trying to test me but because of my past potential. I've been accepted very well and I am not going to let them down."

Whom do you credit as being instrumental in helping you with your drinking problem? "I'm not religious, but I must thank God for helping me. I have also found Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) very helpful. No matter how much people kid about the organization, its members stick together and I plan to remain with AA the rest of my life."

What advice can you give a

would-be alcohol abuser? "If he notices he is starting to get into little predicaments because of his drinking, he should seek answers to his problems. Face problems and don't try to hide them."

### Cirrhosis of the liver

**Client B** is 32, single, and an inpatient, who has been an alcohol abuser for about eight years. He has 12 years of active service.

What were some of the disadvantages you experienced because of your alcohol abuse? "Non-trust from others, the loss of the best job I've ever had because of my attitude while under the influence of alcohol, and a lousy physical condition because of not taking care of myself — in fact, I'm waiting now to be released from the Army on a medical discharge. I have cirrhosis of the liver, as a result of drinking about a quart of liquor daily."

What is the longest time you've been on the wagon? "The longest time was 42 days, and now I'm forced to give up drinking permanently. It's either that or dying — I have a choice in the matter. And as long as I still have something to live for, I'll stay sober."

From the estimated \$500-a-month liquor bill, Client B considered himself in the upper category of alcohol abusers.

How do you feel about the military services being blamed for a person's becoming an alcohol

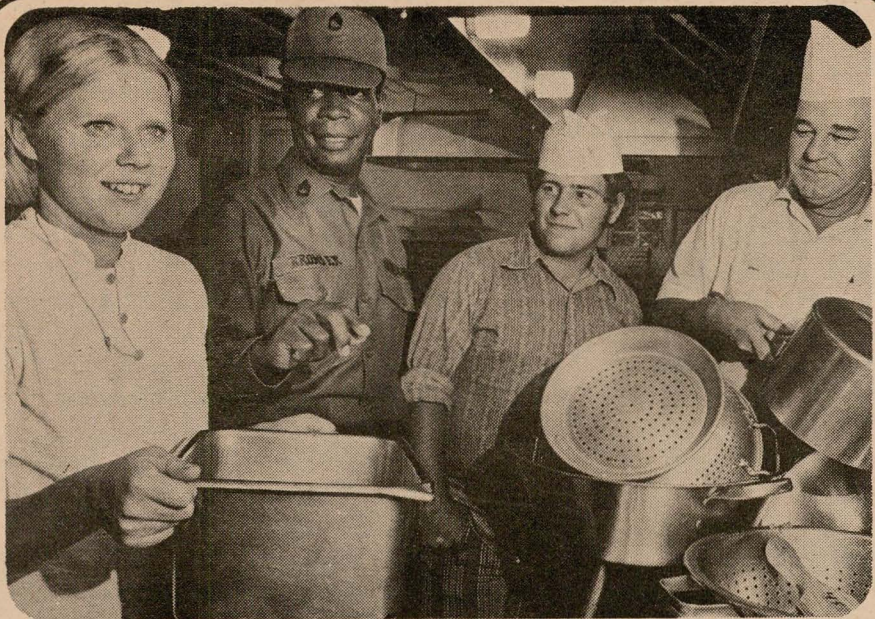
abuser? "I don't feel the military should be held responsible for an individual's drinking problem. But I do see where, on certain occasions, a person's desire to drink may be increased because of work pressure and the ease that one can get alcohol in the service."

Who does Client B credit with helping him with his drinking problem? "No one, because I was mostly a loner. I would never let anyone get close enough to me to tell me how to live my life. I spent so much time at the bars, no one could drag me away. There would have been trouble if someone had tried."

When asked how he plans to continue the program started here at Down Front House, now that he is getting out of the Army, and what advice he has for people starting to drink? "I am going to continue working with AA in my home town. As for a person wanting to start drinking. Lock himself up before he even starts. Decide what he wants in life and do it without the aid of a crutch, such as alcohol."

**Sorry, due to lack of space Client C's interview will be printed at a later date. —Ed.**





### KPs

Recently, civilians began "pulling" KP in all Presidio and subpost dining facilities. Civilian KPs are employed to perform kitchen duties, working with Army mess stewards and cooks. Eliminating the traditional KP roster, "civilianization" is another step forward in the Modern Volunteer Army program here. The new service is under contract from Quality Maintenance Control, Inc., of Kansas City, Mo. (Photo courtesy of the San Francisco Examiner)



### MPs

Demonstrating the Army's concern for a better environment, officer and enlisted members of the 571st MP Company stationed here, recently launched a day-long attack along portions of Bay area beaches. Replacing .45 caliber pistols with plastic bags, the target was trash! This example-setting "police call" made a clean sweep of seashore litter and garbage, while combining a lesson in ecology with Dynamic/Adventure Training. Bikini-watching and an ocean-front picnic prepared by company cooks added to the men's sense of accomplishment and community involvement. All-in-all, a real morale-boosting mission! (U.S. Army Photo by SSG Tony Reyes)



### Protestees

Five members of a military and draft counseling group are asked by Lieutenant Colonel Van Holladay, the post provost marshal, to discontinue the distribution of their leaflets and leave the Presidio. The pamphleteers violated local regulations by not obtaining permission from the commanding officer to hand out literature on post. Three of the group refused to leave, were cited to appear before the U.S. Magistrate, and were escorted off post. The other two, when faced with apprehension, chose to leave the installation. The event, which took place last week, attracted numerous local newsmen and a few curious lunch-hour onlookers. (Photo courtesy of the San Francisco Examiner)

## 30th changes color; redesignated 504th

In a Change of Color ceremony on Monday, the 30th MP Battalion was redesignated the 504th.

The 504th MP Battalion was first activated on May 15, 1941, at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas. It served

with distinction in campaigns in the Mediterranean and European Theaters of Operations during World War II, and its standard bears two Meritorious Unit Commendation Streamers for service in Vietnam.

## No 'sound offs' on BPO march

"Sound off! Hut . . . two . . . three . . . four" are the sounds of another routine and dreaded Army march. On a recent 16th Base Post Office (BPO) exercise, these sounds were not heard. It was not just another training requirement.

Led by the company commander, the event was part of the unit's monthly Operation REACH (Recreation, Endurance, Agility, Coordination, Health) program — a DA concept for getting and keeping soldiers interested and involved in physical fitness. The 16th BPO has been scheduling or-

ganized sports activities during REACH time.

Departing from their normal duties of supporting the San Francisco Military Mail Terminal, the men journeyed nine miles during the three-hour trek. Starting in the early morning, the men hiked the scenic hills of Ft. Cronkhite concluding on the fort's beach at lunch time.

Here they found company NCOs awaiting them with hamburgers, hot dogs, and plenty of ice cold drinks — a welcome reward after their long hike.

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### Seven dedicated years

## ACS has a heart

ACS is not just another establishment abbreviation. It stands for a service — Army Community Service — and like its symbol, ACS has a heart.

Last week, here and world wide, ACS marked its seventh year as an example of how the Army takes care of its own. Working under the basic concepts of Self-Help, Service, and Stability, Presidio ACS serves as a referral and coordinating agency and central source of information. It provides assistance and guidance to members of the PSF Army community in meeting personal and family problems. "ACS is the only place they can turn with any type of personal or family need," said Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr., commanding officer, PSF, in his message to all personnel on ACS Day.

ACS does not duplicate functions or services normally furnished by the military and civilian staffs of the post. The staff can, however, contact other organizations on an individual's behalf.

Supervised by a professional staff, ACS is chiefly supported by volunteer efforts. Here, approximately 40 military wives give their time to make the program a success. These volunteers are well qualified to handle problems arising in the Presidio community. Most have had first-hand experience in coping with the frustrations and emergencies associated with an on-the-move life.

ACS centers operate on a committee system with each committee set up according to the size and needs of the area served. At PSF, specialized committees made up of volunteers are the basic units of the day-to-day and special ACS duties.

Located in Bldg. 223 on West Halleck Street, ACS committees offer many services. They welcome new arrivals with information about the Presidio; have a loan closet for temporary issue of necessary household items; and sponsor the Post Nursery. They help relatives who are traveling to be with critically ill servicemen overseas and maintain contact with waiting wives living in the Bay area. The professional staff administers the Army Emergency Relief program and the post's Survivor Assistance Office. From food stamps to financial counseling, ACS does it all.

Remember, personalized service is of the utmost importance, and each ACS volunteer makes it a point to put people above formalities.

But like their husbands, volunteers are also "subject to orders", so replacements are always urgently needed. An hour or two a week is all it takes. Dependability and a desire to help others are the only qualifications. To volunteer your time or seek volunteer assistance, drop by the ACS building or call Ext. 5057.



# Voting: 26th amendment, issues, Army regs, FPCA, absentee, local officer

The 26th Amendment to the Constitution did away with the saying, "Old enough to fight, but not old enough to vote!"

As responsible citizens, servicemen and service women aged 18 to 21, as well as their civilian counterparts, can now vote for the candidate of their choice in state and national elections.

The effect of younger voters was felt in last November's elections when two 19-year-olds were elected mayor, an 18-year-old was selected to a school board, and others under 21 were elected to city council seats. Also, new voters played a significant role in a number of other elections involving older candidates.

If you are one of the many who plan to vote for the first time this year, and are not fully aware of what important issues your vote will affect, read on:

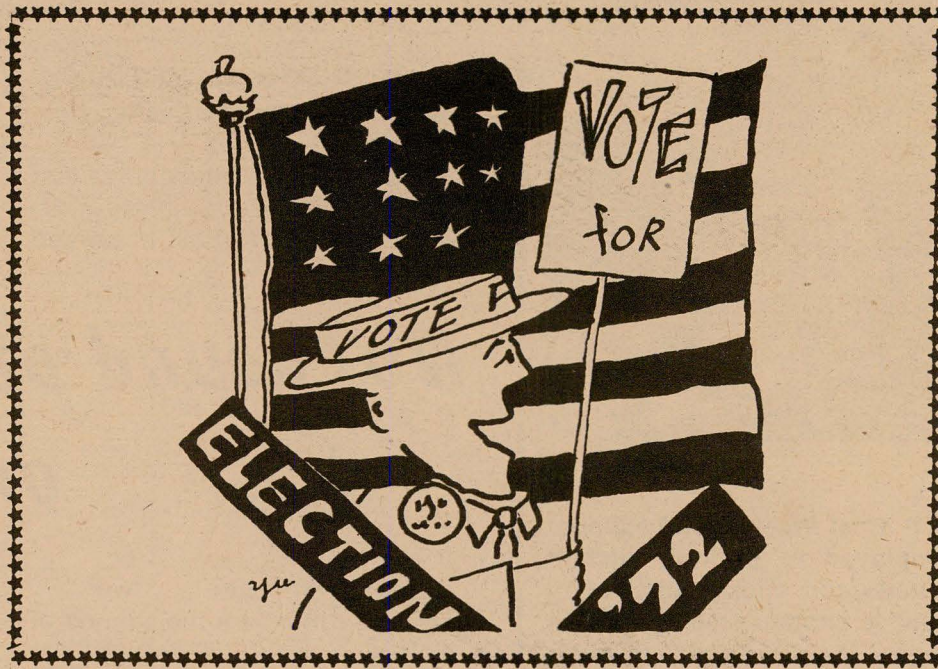
**Law and Order** — Uprise in crime, threat to civil liberties (freedom of the press, wire tapping, riot control), organization of the Supreme Court.

**Pollution** — Environmental control and population problems.

**Foreign Policy** — Armament race, test-ban treaties, war in Southeast Asia, U.S. troops in Europe, U.S. commitments to NATO and SEATO, reversion to an all-volunteer military.

These are just a few of the major issues in the upcoming election. You owe it to yourself and to your country to register to vote, and to

**From last edition: client C**



cast your ballot.

Federal employees and members of the military are limited somewhat, however, by Federal law in the ways they can participate in the electoral process. Below is a brief list of campaign do's and don'ts as set down in Army regulations:

## You May

Register and vote as you choose.

Assist in voter registration drives.

Express your opinion about candidates and issues.

Participate in campaigns where none of the candidates represents a political party.

Contribute money to a political organization or attend a political

fund-raising function.

Wear or display political badges, buttons, or stickers while not in uniform.

Attend political rallies and meetings.

Join a political club or party.

Sign nominating petitions.

Campaign for or against referendum questions, constitutional amendments, municipal ordinances, etc.

## You May Not

Campaign for partisan candidates or political parties.

Work to register voters for one party only.

Make campaign speeches or engage in other activity to elect a partisan candidate.

Be a candidate or work in a campaign if any candidate represents a national or state political party.

Collect contributions or sell tickets to political fund-raising functions.

Distribute campaign material in a partisan election.

Organize or manage political rallies or meetings.

Hold office in a political club or party.

Circulate nominating petitions.

Campaign for or against a candidate or slate of candidates in a partisan election.

If you really want to vote, it's not all that difficult, but plan ahead. It can all be done by mail through your place of residence. Unless your home is in Alabama, Alaska, Louisiana, Maine, Nevada, or Puerto Rico, you don't even have to register ahead of time. It's all taken care of when you send a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for your absentee ballot. For the states and territory just mentioned, you must register by mail to receive a ballot.

Each troop unit at the Presidio, to include 6th U.S. Army, has a voting officer. These officers have been selected for the sole purpose of helping you accomplish "your thing" when it comes to voting. But the voting officer, in fact the voting program itself, can only be as effective as your personal participation allows. Participate and see your unit voting officer for assistance.

# Alcoholic talk continued for your benefit

**By SSG Roland M. Taylor**

**Client C** is 33, divorced and remarried, the father of three children, all in the custody of their mother, and is an inpatient at Down Front House. He has been an alcohol abuser for about 12½ years and became an excessive drinker in the past two years. "I suffered from a couple of blackouts, so about three or four weeks ago I decided I needed help. I thought about coming here for help but didn't like the idea of being away from home for a long period of time, so I backed out of coming. I had tried to give up drinking before but was never successful."

What was it that prompted him into volunteering for the program? "About two weeks ago, my wife had to come get me from the bar because I was too drunk to make it home by myself. It was then I decided to do something worthwhile

for my wife. We were only married four months ago and she has been very understanding with me and my problem. So I decided to take my life. This way, she would at least get my \$10,000 insurance." So he took an overdose of pills. This, his third such attempt, luckily ended in failure when his wife found him and rushed him to the hospital. Upon recovery, he requested to be transferred to the rehabilitation center.

"After being here for a couple of days, I kept trying to analyze just what the program was doing for me. Finally, I realized it wasn't doing anything, because I wasn't doing anything for myself. I would attend the rap sessions but didn't really try to learn from them. When I arrived here, I listed general areas I wanted help in, but now I realize I erred in not listing specific areas."

Client C's parents are divorced

and remarried. He has indelible memories of his early childhood. "My father was an alcoholic, and my first stepfather was cruel. My three sisters and I didn't get spankings. He would take us out behind the barn — there we got beatings."

## \$530 in fines

Though he has never lost a stripe as a result of his drinking, it did cost him \$530 in fines. More significantly, he attributes his lack of advancement in the Army to alcohol.

"My excessive drinking started overseas. I attempted to escape from reality, small problems, mostly my job and the military. I took great pride in my work and it seemed no one else did. I guess you could say, it was a feeling of righteous indignation. So, I chose to drink. Psychiatrists have told me that my drinking problem may well be hereditary, but I don't believe that."

He also does not believe the Army is to be blamed for its heavy drinkers. "The same type of people that are in the Army can be found in civilian life."

Client C was told two years ago that he had a drinking problem but he didn't believe that. Recently his CO and NCOIC recognized his problem and offered to help. "It was my CO who suggested that I

take the cure here at Down Front House."

## Dear John letter

In his early years of growing up, Client C attended church regularly and lived a rather good life. Shortly after coming into service, he received a "Dear John" letter. "I went out and got drunk and that was the start. Later, while stationed in Alaska, a friend taught me how to really drink. The other night, my wife and I were talking about some of my troubles when she made a philosophical remark: 'Some people drink because it's the only thing they can do well.' I could handle a lot of it."

He's happy to have a very understanding and compassionate wife. He also does not blame his first wife or alcohol for his divorce. "I was too young when I married." Client C is very optimistic about his future. Once he has conquered his drinking problem, helped by the staff of Down Front House, he plans to finish his education. He has one year of college equivalency. He also feels very fortunate to have suffered no physical effects from drinking.

During a rap session, one of the patients made a statement "C" liked very much "If a situation comes up today, it's a challenge. But if you wait until tomorrow, it's a problem."

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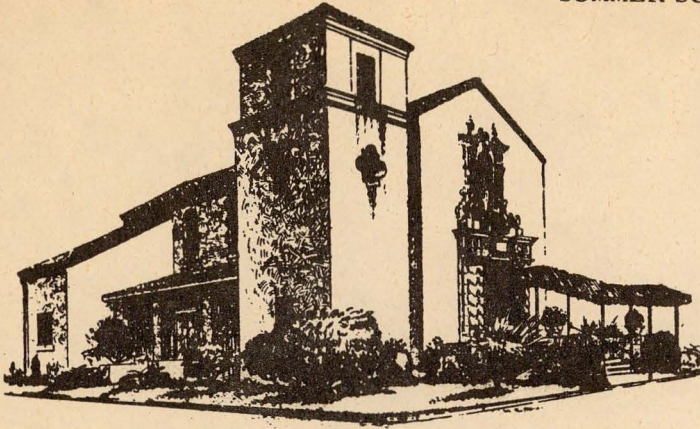
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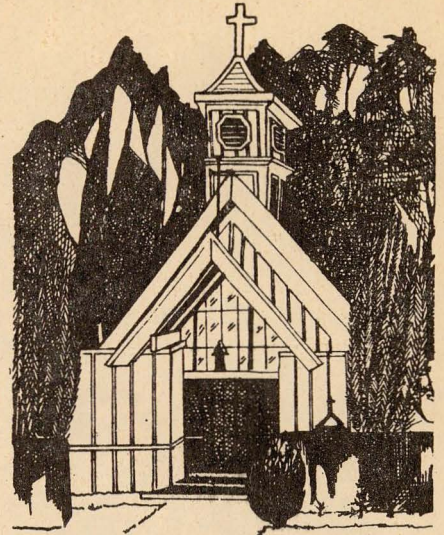


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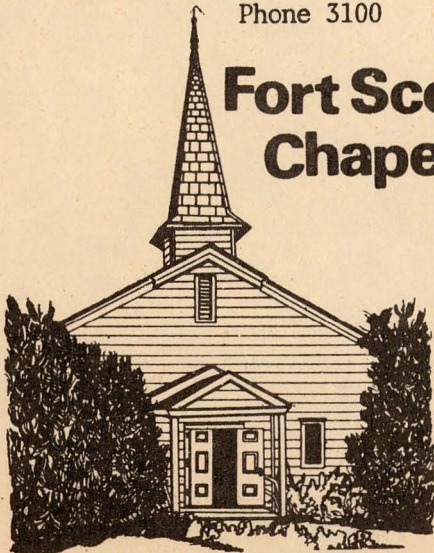
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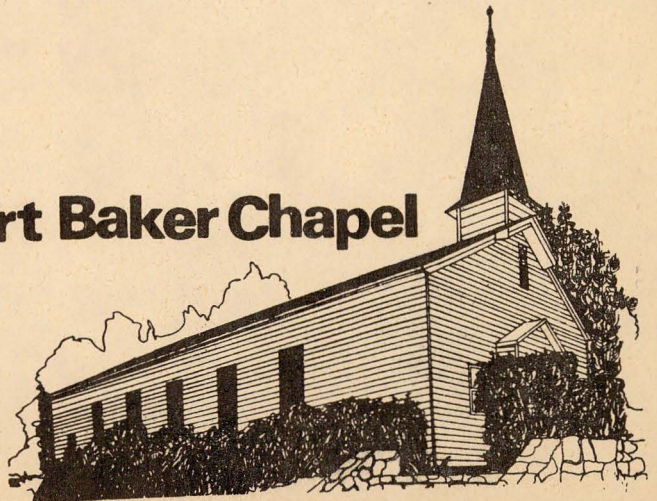
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## PSF def·i·nī·tions

### tots'

Mothers- and fathers-to-be are invited to attend an Expectant Parent Class beginning Monday at 7 p.m. in room 100, Letterman General Hospital. Sponsored by the Army Health Nurse and Obstetrical Service, the three-part class will be held on the first three Monday nights of this month. For further information, contact the Army Health Nurse at Ext. 2003.

### tran·sit

Want to cut down on air pollution? If you live on-post, ride the Presidio shuttle bus to work. Fewer vehicles on the road will cut the amount of exhaust fumes in the air and help alleviate parking problems in some areas. The ride is free, so you'll also save a few coins on gas. The shuttle makes 13 complete runs each work day. For the complete schedule of times and routes, call Ext. 2505 or 3533.

### touch·ing

The newly organized Presidio Action League for Prisoners of War/Missing in Action is seeking volunteers for their program. The league was organized to educate and inform the local military community of the problems faced by some 1700 American POWs/MIAs in Southeast Asia. Volunteers are requested to contact Mrs. Ginsberg at Ext. 4229 or 4880 for further information.

### tran·si·tion

A national job-search firm is conducting employment opportunity seminars today and August 7-8 at the Post Education Center. Complete job-finding services are offered to those junior officers and enlisted men and women who have degrees and who plan to return to civilian employment within the next year. The seminars will explain the no-cost services and provide information about the civilian job market, hiring practices, and a "career weekend". The "weekend" will be held in San Francisco August 18-20 and will bring some 20 major companies in direct contact with active duty personnel seeking civilian employment. Further information may be obtained from the Transition Office, Bldg. 1216, or at Ext. 4419.

### ter·mi·nate'

The President has announced that Lieutenant General Alexander D. Surles, commanding general, Sixth United States Army, will retire from active duty on October 1. His successor has not yet been named.

### teens'

Dependents 13 and 18 years old, you too can become a gourmet chef! The Presidio Teen Club will run cooking classes August 19 thru October 8. Get things cookin' by signing up at the club, Bldg. 1021, or calling Mrs. Holder at Ext. 5143.



### Dressing up City Hall

Private First Class Leah Wainwright, modeling new WAC uniform options, takes in the sights in front of San Francisco's City Hall. While local officials inside attend to business, on the adjacent plaza early morning sightseers give their "looks good" nod of approval to Leah and the smart accessories.

From black felt beret to black patent leather pumps, the look is modern and practical, first stages of an approved total redesign of women's Army uniforms. In case it rains or the fountain's mist gets too heavy, Leah is prepared with black raincoat and umbrella. (White neck scarf to be worn with rainwear is not pictured.) Black, including black leather clutch handbag, sets off the new white shirt, and both are pleasing accents to the present uniform. White gloves can be worn with summer attire. These new duty-wear options will be in production soon. Items now issued will still be required in formation.

Leah is a member of the Presidio WAC Detachment and works as an administrative specialist for the U.S. Army Sixth Recruiting District. A Bay area native, she enjoys playing the piano and the guitar. (U.S. Army Photo by SP5 R. Read)



### His appointed rounds

"Neither snow, nor rain, nor heat, nor gloom of night . . ." keep Private First Class Victor C. Kim from his " . . . appointed rounds" at the San Francisco Military Mail Terminal. Attached to the 16th Base Post Office, Vic is PSF's June Soldier of the Month. The 26-year-old San Francisco native works in familiar territory — he was employed by the U.S.

Postal Service before entering the Army in November. Using a computerized teletype machine, it's Vic's job to sort, distribute, and route mail for Pacific area APOs and FPOs. Out of uniform, he takes to the great outdoors for a day of fishing or weekend camp-out. (U.S. Army Photo by SSG Tony Reyes)

## MORE def·i·nī·tions

### trail·ers

Get away to it all in one of two mini trailers now available on a rental basis from Special Services Supply. Fully fitted, including kitchen facilities, they'll sleep two adults and two kids. Like the two larger camping trailers, which sleep eight, and also available from Special Services, the minis should be reserved early. Call Ext. 5328.

### ten·der

Letterman General Hospital currently has a number of volunteer job openings. Red Cross places these volunteers according to their skills, interests, and abilities after they have received classroom and on-the-job training. The Central Clinic alone needs some 40 volunteers to serve as dental assistants. Fifty hours of formal training for them is scheduled to begin in late September. Interviews for all volunteers will be held at the Presidio Red Cross Field Office, Bldg. 97, on August 23 and 28 and September 8 from 1 to 4 p.m. Call Ext. 4922 for more information.

### tune'

Turn on and tune in two local radio shows featuring PSF news combined with country music. They're aired Saturdays at 7 a.m. on KSAY (1010, AM) and Mondays on KFMS (106.1, FM) from 6 to 6:30 a.m.

### try'

Summer's almost gone and school's just around the corner for most Presidio dependents. While at home during the vacation months, the kids had plenty to do — everything from golf and swimming to church school.

A Youth Golf Clinic was held in July for youngsters 8-14 years old. Golf club pro, Art Armstrong, taught the basics of the game to some 23 dependents, who turned out with clubs in hand.

Even though the summer's almost come to an end the swimming program, sponsored by the American Red Cross, is still in progress. Approximately 200 youths are taking advantage of the opportunity to take Beginners, Advanced Beginners, or Intermediate Swimming. For the more advanced—it's Junior and Senior Lifesaving. Both the Letterman and Presidio pools are being used with soldiers, dependents, and civilians as instructors.

The Presidio Chaplain Division sponsored a two-week Vacation Church School last month. Protestants and Catholics, alike, were represented among the 325 pupils and 52 volunteer instructors. This year's theme was "Neighbors" which tied into Bible study as well as the creative arts & musical programs.

Many more could be mentioned — kids and parents should be thankful for these and the continuous year-round youth activities. Support them!



# FOCUS ON SPORTS

## 170th MP Co. wins post sports award

The 170th MP Company has been named the best athletic unit on the Presidio for the 1972 fiscal year.

In a recent ceremony at the 170th dining facility, Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr., commanding officer, PSF, presented them with the Commanding Officer's Sports Participation Trophy. Second Lieutenant Howard Carey, commanding officer, 170th MP Co., accepted the award on behalf of his men. The 15 men who contributed the most to the overall success of the company's sports program, and to winning the trophy, were also recognized at the event.

The trophy is presented annually to the unit that has participated in the widest range of sports and received the greatest number of total points for overall standings. All Army units in the immediate Bay area, who participate in the Presidio's Sports program, vie for the trophy which is rotated among recipients. A replica does, however, remain in company trophy cases.

Unit standings for the Commanding Officer's Sports Participation Trophy were:

|                       |     |                           |    |
|-----------------------|-----|---------------------------|----|
| 170th MP Co           | 351 | B Btry 61st Arty          | 95 |
| 6 USA Med Lab         | 205 | Oakland Army Base         | 89 |
| HHD 30th MP Bn        | 188 | A Btry 250th Arty         | 75 |
| 402d MP Co            | 177 | Public Health Service     | 53 |
| 115th MI Gp           | 159 | 87th Ord Det              | 52 |
| 571st MP Co           | 159 | VIKINGS (Officers)        | 43 |
| 6 USA Comm Det        | 156 | HQ 6th Region             | 37 |
| HHB 13th Arty Gp      | 151 | 6 USA Flt Det             | 35 |
| LGH                   | 147 | Armed Forces Police Det   | 34 |
| HQ Co 6 USA Sp Trps   | 128 | Corps of Engrs (District) | 30 |
| 163d MP Co            | 120 | 6 USA MP Gp (CI)          | 25 |
| 16th BPO              | 111 | 6 USA Vet Det             | 19 |
| HQ Co USAG            | 110 | COSMOS                    | 18 |
| Co D 864th Engr Co    | 102 | 51st Engr Det             | 18 |
| 6 USA Courier Station | 102 |                           |    |



Cooling it!

Cool it, guys — Sharon's in Las Vegas. To cool yourself off, take a dip in the Presidio or Letterman indoor pools, open all year around. For the lucky ones who can make it to Vegas, check with the Service Club for information on hotels offering military discounts. (Pic courtesy of Las Vegas News Bureau)

plan  
some  
fun

### Free eats

Sunday happenings sponsored by the Service Club this month revolve around "free eats".

Sleep late the 13th and 27th and still be present and accounted for at club coffee call. Java starts brewing there at 10:30 a.m., long after dining facilities finish serving. Catch that free first cup in Bldg. 135 and keep these Sunday coffee breaks going.

Off-post picnics are planned each Sunday. This week it's Stern Grove for Broadway's long-run, *Fiddler On The Roof*, followed by: Lake Berryessa, August 13; Bean Hollow State Park, August 20; and a barbeque-bonfire at Ft. Baker Beach, August 27. Call Ext. 2000 to sign up and check bus departure times.

Sunday nights at the club mean more free food! Buffets, starting at 6 p.m., will feature: flapjacks, August 6; food of the Virgin Islands, August 13; and Chinese food, August 27.

### Other

#### Other Service Club Happenings For August

- 10th — Country and Western dance with the Lone Star Ramblers, 8 p.m.
- 16th — *New Generation Singers* perform, 8 p.m.
- 19th — Horseback riding in Novato. Bus departs at noon.
- 20th — Handwriting analyzed by Charlie Cole, 7:30 p.m.
- 21st — Rap session on sports with Jimmy Peersaal of the Oakland A's, 8 p.m.
- 24th — Rock group, the *Cyprus*, entertains at dance, 8 p.m.



### Art

- 1st-27th . . . Ecology invades the San Francisco Museum of Art when the exhibition, *Dome: Air, Water, Light, and Sound*, is shown. *Art of the Comic Strip* featured at the De Young Museum.
- 1st-31st . . . *The American West* in paintings, drawings, and water colors from 1820 to 1890. Classic western films are shown in conjunction with this exhibition on Saturdays and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. De Young Museum.
- 19th-20th . . . Outdoor showing by Artists Guild of San Francisco. Golden Gate Park, 19th Avenue and Lincoln Way, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

### Sports

- San Francisco Giants . . . Games with Houston, 4th-6th; San Diego, 8th-9th; Chicago, 15th-17th; St. Louis, 18th-20th; and Pittsburgh, 22nd-23rd. Candlestick Park.
- 5th-6th, 12-13th, 19th-20th . . . 70th annual City Tennis Tournament, attracting many of Northern California's top-seeded players to the Golden Gate Park Courts, is free of charge.
- 13th and 27th . . . San Francisco 49ers exhibition games with Cleveland on the 13th, Denver on the 27th. Candlestick Park.
- 19th . . . Big-time wrestling at the Cow Palace.
- 26th . . . Monthly Roller Derby. Cow Palace.

### Theatre

- 1st-19th . . . "Sound of Music" is the Civic Light Opera at the Curran Theatre.
- 1st-31st . . . "Sleuth," produced by the American Conservatory Theatre (ACT), at the Marines' Memorial Theatre. "Godspell," another ACT production, is an award-winning Broadway musical at the Geary Theatre.

### Info

More Information . . . Dial 391-2000 for a daily report on special events and activities in and around the Bay area and 561-2000 (Presidio Service Club) for information on discounts and free admission to many local happenings.

### Air/Auto show

Next Sunday, August 13, the Presidio will again host the annual Golden Gate Concours d'Ele-gance (classic autos) and Antique Air Show.

Sponsored by the Presidio Women's Club, Marin Aid For Retarded Children, and City of Hope, admission will be free to those in uniform or wearing a Letterman General patient's bracelet. Other-wise it's two dollars for adults and 50 cents for the kids, with the profits going to the charities of the sponsoring organizations.

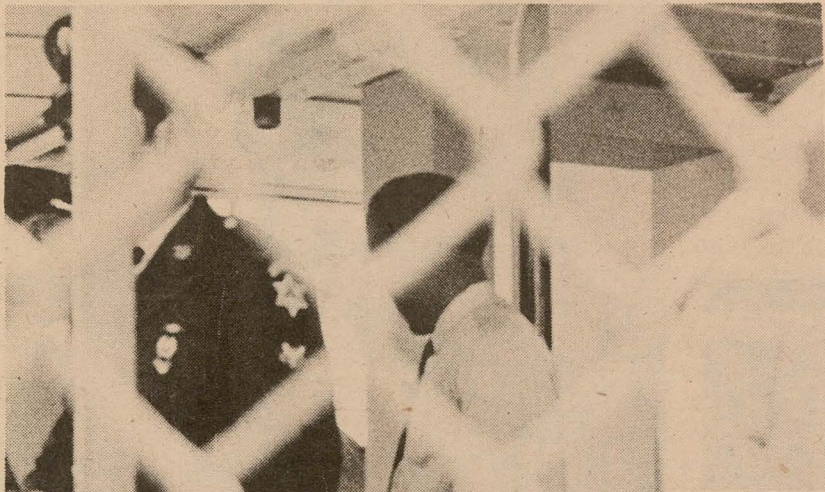
The show runs from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is sanctioned by the Sports Car Club of America. Crissy Field will clear its runways of modern Army aircraft to make way for the private vintage planes flown in for the show. On the ath-letic field adjacent to PX #1, competing for your attention will be many motorcar entries, rang-ing from horseless carriages to high-powered sports cars. "Ecology Cars" are this year's special feature.

### Special Events

- 9th . . . Ice Follies begins a five-week engagement at Winterland; no shows Mondays and Tuesdays.
- 12th . . . Isaac Hayes concert in the Cow Palace.
- 12th-13th . . . Gem and Mineral Show in Hall of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.
- 18th-20th . . . Midsummer Antiques Show and Sale in the St. Francis Hotel's Grand Ballroom.
- 25th . . . *Jackson Five* gives one performance in the Cow Palace.
- 25th-27th . . . San Francisco County Fair Flower Show in Golden Gate Park's Hall of Flowers.
- 30th . . . Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus begins a six-day run at the Cow Palace.

Get away to it all in August!





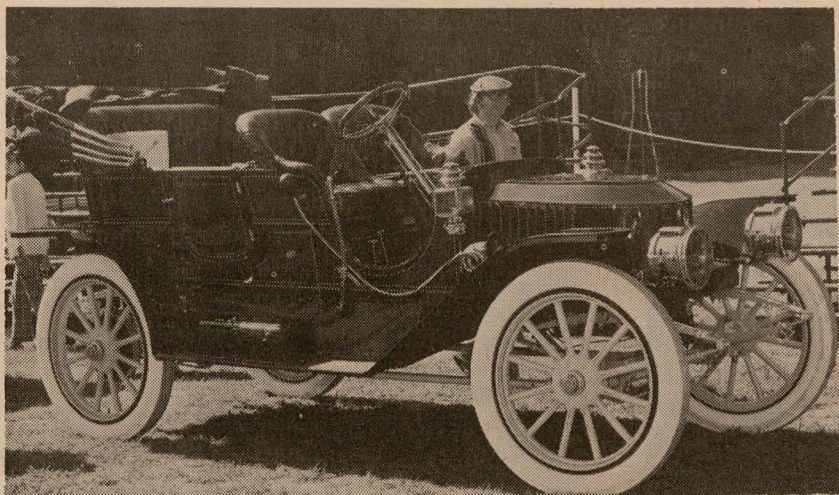
## Locked up inside

This past month's Dynamic/Adventure Training will long be remembered by members of the 571st Military Police Company stationed here. They began with a visit to SFPD's Hall of Justice followed by "beach police" and bomb scare exercises. They ended up behind bars on the most dynamic and adventurous session of them all. California's infamous San Quentin, prison of song and legend, provided the setting as the MPs explored life in the "big house." **GET LOCKED UP INSIDE.**



## Royal visit

Specialist 4 George Cunningham and Private First Class Keith Brock are treated royally as they act as escorts for Miss America 1972 and her court. The two members of the Presidio's 170th Military Police Company accompanied Laurie Lea Shaefer and her six State contest winners on a three-hour tour of San Francisco during their recent stopover in the city. The troupe (Misses America, Louisiana, Utah, South Carolina, New Mexico, Maine, and Virginia) were in town prior to departing Travis Air Force Base for a 21-day tour of military bases in Vietnam and Thailand. The tour is sponsored by the USO, the Miss America Pageant, and the Department of Defense. (USO Photo)



## Classy classics

The sixth annual Golden Gate Concours d'Elegance (classic autos) and Antique Air Show, hosted by the Presidio on Sunday, was a blend of past, present, and future. Some 10,000 people travelled through time as they viewed the classic and "of interest" cars and vintage aircraft here for the event. Sponsored for the benefit of the Presidio Women's Club Welfare Fund, Marine Aid For Retarded Children, and City of Hope, this year's special theme was "cars of the future and concern for the environment." Steam and electric ecology cars were of special interest and set the overall mood. (U.S. Army Photo by SSG Tony Reyes)

# WAC director talks of "womanpower"

By Barbara K. Filbert  
Staff Writer

Brigadier General Mildred C. Bailey, director, Women's Army Corps, visited the Presidio earlier this week. While here BrigGen. Bailey addressed members of Company D (WAC Detachment) at the Presidio Service Club — a highlight of her tour.

One of BrigGen. Bailey's most important topics was the extensive expansion program for the Women's Army Corps. The Corps will expand to about 16,000 by next June and by June 1978 will be 24 to 25,000 in strength. The initial step in the six-year drive is an increase of 3,500 within the next ten months. Women will be utilized in all fields except combat arms units. Since women will be utilized in more military occupation specialties, more job opportunities will result. Women will be assigned in practically all types of units, and will help the Modern Volunteer Army meet its goal. "However," said the general, "each one of us must ask herself: Can we meet the challenge that we face?"

According to BrigGen. Bailey, this need and challenge can be met by those willing to accept more responsibility. To replace men requires an acceptance of the responsibilities that go with their jobs. Enthusiasm, high capabilities, and strong dedication are the keys.

Together with the many new career and job opportunities will be vast educational opportunities for betterment in respective career fields.

With the Women's Army Corps doubling in size, this means higher qualifications must be attained as women will be doing the jobs today that have been restricted to men. Presently, Wacs fill 139 of the 484 Army job MOS's. Soon they will be filling all jobs open to men with the exception of 48 which will be restricted to men because they involve bearing arms in combat units. "Do you take your work seriously and as a career in the future?" asked the general. "Then you can measure up to the standards and qualifications required of the men."

With the modernization program, women may now be assigned directly overseas after their advanced training, rather than first spending a year on duty in the United States. Where there is a need for a particular MOS, Wacs will have their choice of duty station.

### Womanpower

As the Army grows in "womanpower," two more training battalions will be activated at Ft. McClellan, Alabama by 1973. Reconstruction and reorganization of training for both enlisted and officer personnel are in the making. Women officers will attend advanced career courses at the Infantry, Field Artillery, and Signal Corps Schools, as well as others. The first WAC battalion in the U.S. Army Reserve is being organized now as a basic training unit in the 80th Training Division, in the metropolitan Washington, D.C., area.

BrigGen. Bailey thanked the women of Company D for doing such "a great job and hanging in there with such miserable living accommodations." Part of the large expansion program is better housing for women worldwide. Within a year construction will start for new barracks on the Presidio, a program which has been planned for several years.

The Army has changed its attitudes toward marriage of WAC personnel. Now a woman can continue working at her job and still fulfill the responsibility of being a family member. Wacs can consider their military future more seriously as they'll know they can continue their careers after marriage.

While here BrigGen. Bailey paid a call on Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr., commanding officer, PSF, where she was briefed on the proposed WAC barracks for Company D. Prior to her address at the Service Club, she talked to enlisted women of the company and walked through the present WAC barracks. In addition, her stay at the Presidio encompassed visits to tenant activities including: Headquarters, Sixth U.S. Army; Letterman General Hospital; 6th Region, ARADCOM; and the Headquarters, Sixth Recruiting District.

During her six-day stay, BrigGen. Bailey visited other WAC units stationed in the Bay area. Included in her schedule were trips to the Oakland Army Personnel Center and Oakland Army Base. From the Presidio she travels to other Army installations in California.

### Career

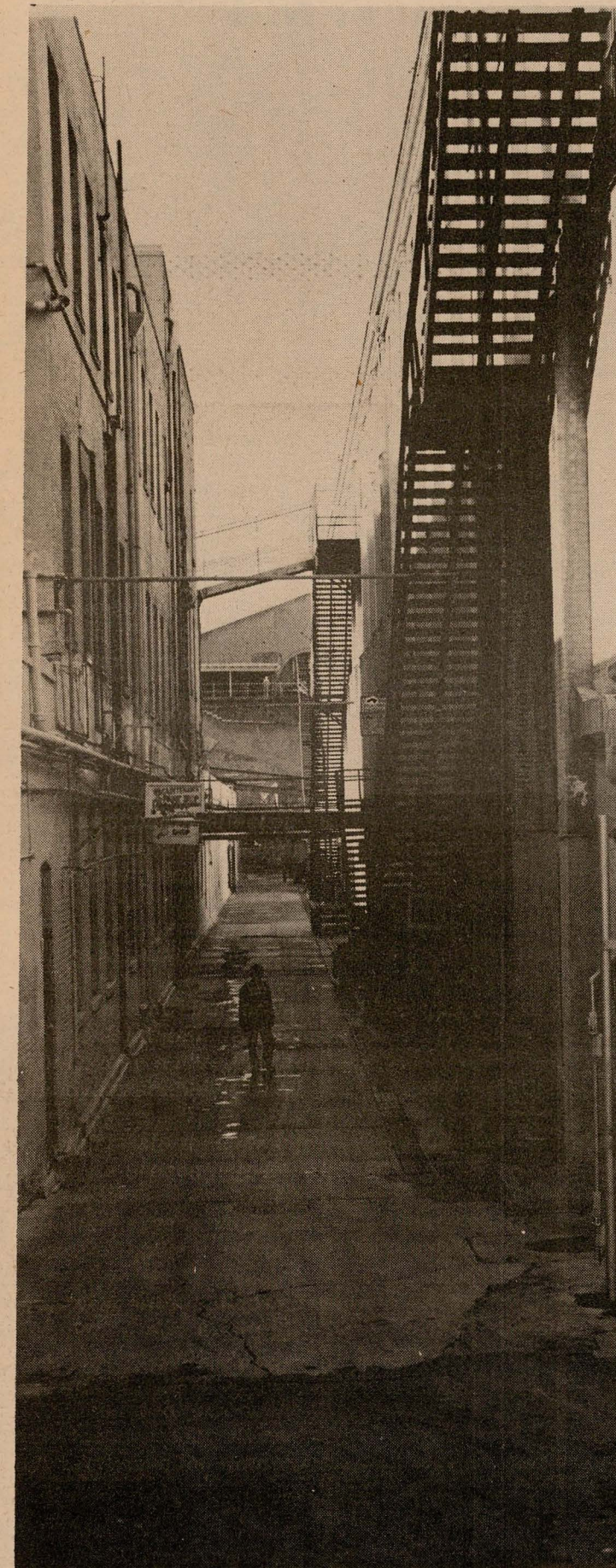
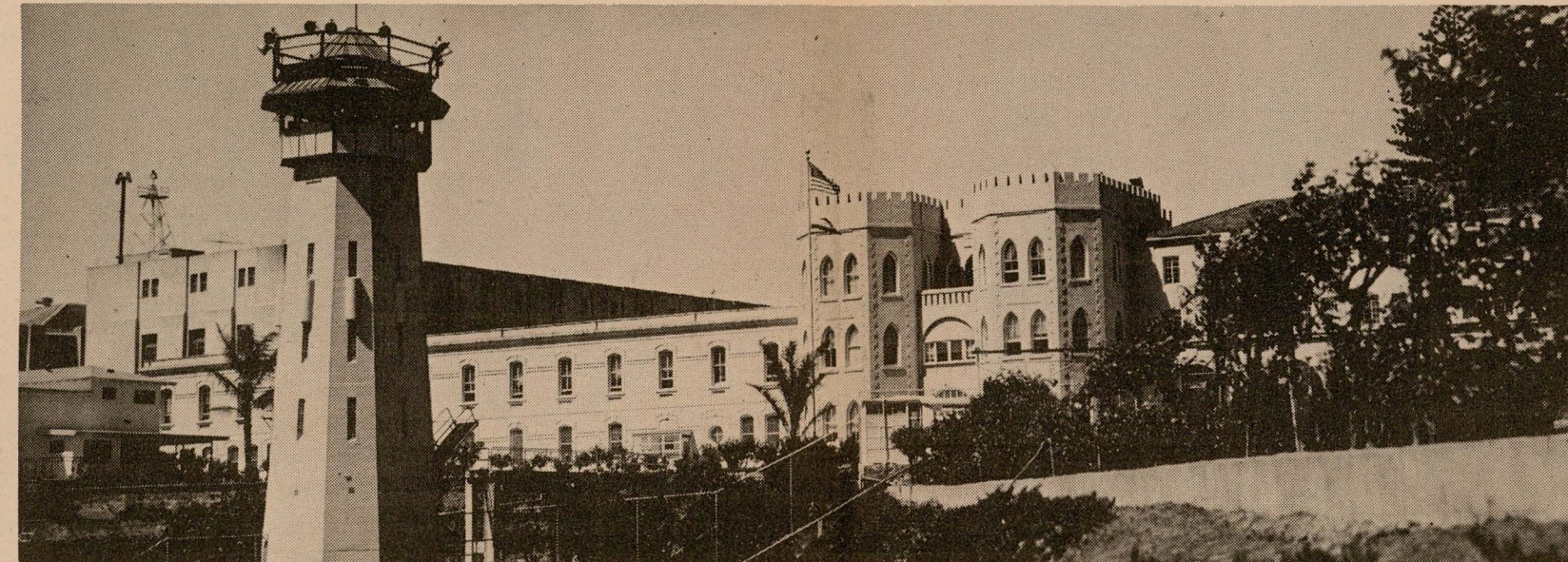
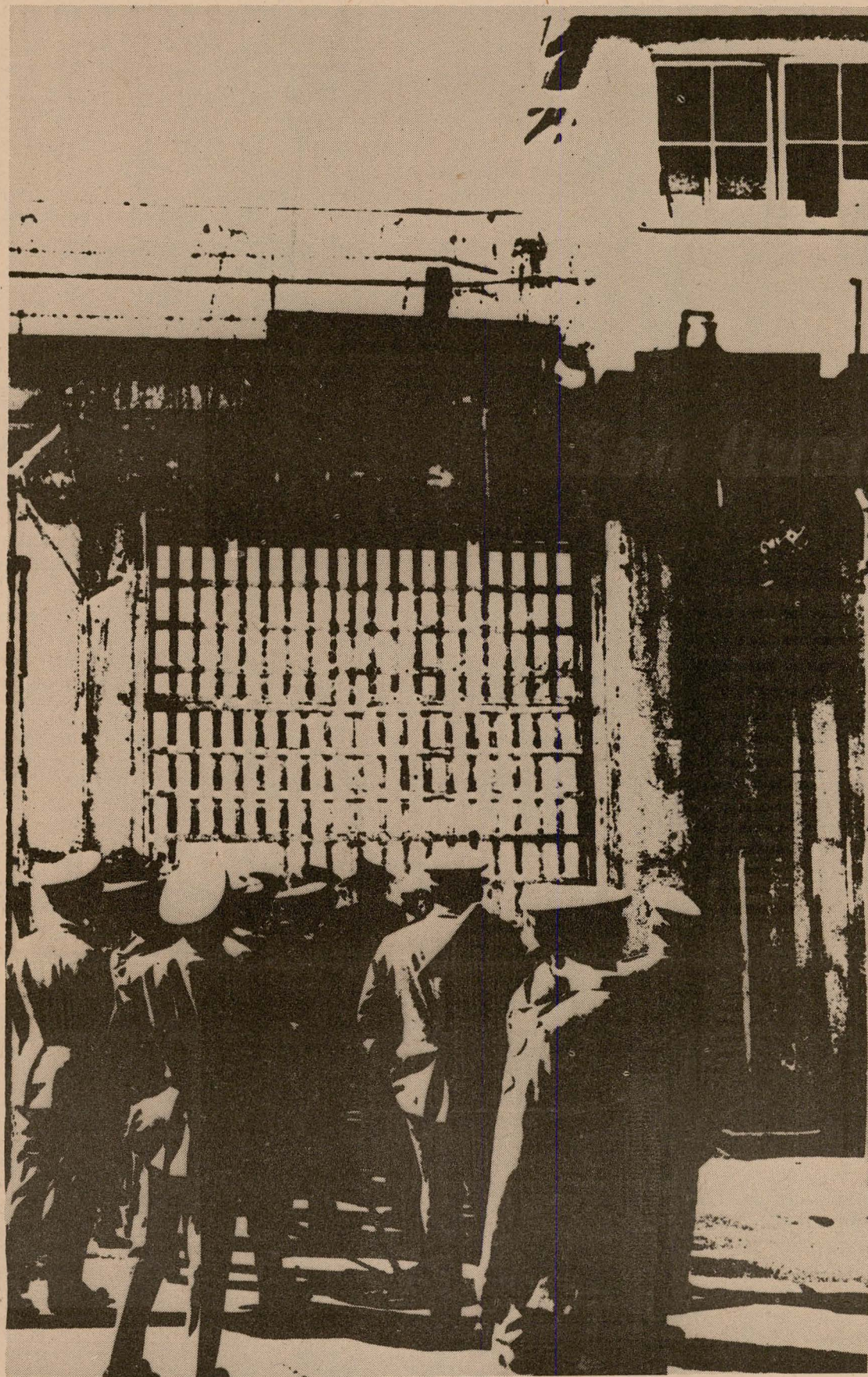
BrigGen. Bailey became the second Women's Army Corps officer to be promoted to the rank of BrigGen. and the fourth to attain that grade in the Armed Forces of the United States. She was appointed director, United States Women's Army Corps, in August 1971. She graduated from the Women's College of the University of North Carolina and received a Regular Army commission in 1949. During her career, BrigGen. Bailey has had a wide variety of assignments, including extensive experience commanding Women's Army Corps units in the United States and overseas. Among her assignments she served as chief of WAC Recruiting for Third United States Army. At Ft. Meyer, Virginia, she commanded the Corps' largest detachment, to which are assigned the enlisted women working at installations in the Washington, D.C., area, including the Pentagon. For five years, BrigGen. Bailey was in charge of the Women's Army Corps Team which travelled the nation as part of the U.S. Army Exhibit Unit. In 1968, she was assigned to the Office of Chief of Legislative Liaison, Office of the Secretary of the Army, as a Congressional liaison officer to the United States Senate.

# STAR PRESIDIAN



## U.S. Army Photos by SSG Tony Reyes

Text by George B. Grimes



"Their eyewitness testimony upholds the evidence that 'stone walls do not a prison make. . . The defendant is found guilty as charged!'"

This is the convicting verdict reached by a jury of men from the 571st Military Police Company. Their findings came to light as they "served out a sentence" of unit training, executed at San Quentin prison. An exercise in Dynamic/Adventure Training, the recent half-day tour of the notorious California State "Pen" was the fourth and final session on the company's month-long training docket.

At the scene of the crime, the 80 Presidio MPs break into the "Big House" to apprehend a feeling of penitentiary workings and life behind bars. They find the proof — walls are only a small part of what makes up a penal institution.

The men arrive by bus at the gates of what looks like a towered fortress or castle. From the road, high towers and walls strung with searchlights and barbed wire; barred windows; and guards on walls and catwalks are the first hints of the prison's tight security.

Escorted by Lieutenant H. George Watkins, personnel training officer of San Quentin, each man is screened by a metal detector for concealed arms and other items of possible threat to security before entering the prison confines. Brass-buttoned uniform jackets and in some cases brass-buckled belts, have to be removed in order to pass by the sensitive device. "Security's stiff on the inside, too!" remarks one young MP. This is followed by a chorus of "you'd think we were gonna hijack an airplane," "I'm packin' a piece," and "does this thing work going out."

Following a filmed and question-and-answer briefing by members of a special security squad, the group starts through the aging structure, built in 1852. Calls of "one. . . two. . . three. . . four" and "ten. . . hut," given by inmates working in minimum security areas, bounce off corridor walls.

In the dining hall, a massive mural, painted by former residents, catches the eye. A Mona Lisa-type effect is created by a cable car in a scene of San Francisco. No matter where one stands in the

## San Quentin: "stone walls

## do not a prison make..."

—Richard Lovelace

room, the hill-climbing vehicle travels in his direction. Aromas from the adjoining kitchen announce the convicts' luncheon menu of a hearty beef-vegetable stock soup and chicken pie. Reflections of the condemned man's last meal fill everyone's mind.

As the men make their way through a three-level abandoned cell block, the largest in the world, the prison's phasing-out stages become evident. Scheduled to close in 1975, the lockup facilities at San Quentin could hold a colony of some 6,000 lawbreakers. Only a fourth of that number are now imprisoned here. The small, windowless, two-man cubicles show their age — used since the days of hardened criminals like stage/train robber, Black Bart. Graffiti scratched in the concrete or steel walls are marks of long periods of loneliness and isolation from the outside world. They might be a loved one's name or a plan for the perfect escape, but more often are marks representing the passage of time.

Adorned only with pinups, the newer cells still in use are furnished with just the barest of essentials — a bed, a sink, and a john. A lumpy pillow, sagging mattress, or thin blanket could well be the sole comfort on a long, cool, Northern California night.

Entrance to San Quentin's maximum security areas is restricted, but as they are pointed out, the members of the 571st quickly flash on the assassinations and mass murders of the not-too-distant past. They wonder what is wrong with men like Robert Kennedy's assassin, Sirhan-Sirhan, and Charles Manson and his family, slayers of Sharon Tate, all of whom have permanent residence in this section of the prison.

Many visions come to mind when the MPs reach the two-seater gas chamber at the end of what was once Death Row's last mile. As the imagination takes over, the atmosphere seems to thicken here. One can almost feel what preceded any of San Quentin's 502 executions from 1893 to 1971. Perhaps it was a confession being heard, a last meal being served, the screams from fear-filled faces, or the hopes of a last-minute pardon or reprieve. Whatever it was, it has a sobering effect on each member of the touring/training 571st. A glimpse of what remains of the old prison gallows, used prior to the gas chamber, is a trip into the old West of lynching mobs, hanging trees, and county sheriffs.

The tour continues through craft and trade shops, gym, hospital, and chapel as minimum security prisoners go about their day-to-day activities of repairing furniture, vegetable gardening, and playing baseball. The 571st company commander, First Lieutenant Phillip Waggoner, who did work/study projects here while majoring in criminology at the University of California, Berkeley, is approached for an interview by inmates on the staffs of the prison's radio station and newspaper. When the MPs are asked to compete in future sporting events, they realize the inmates and prison make up a self-contained community, and its 500 employees are only a small part of the total San Quentin scene.

Success of the prison's rehabilitation programs is witnessed in the prisoners' store. Here, inmates sell items they've made in the craft and trade shops, while learning a useful occupation — an alternative to many crimes.

Not unique to San Quentin or other prisons are the problems within the ranks of the inmates. Although not visibly evident, these run the gamut — racial tension, homosexuality, drug and alcohol abuse, disease, theft, and poor living conditions in general.

Prison walls are all around, both inside and out. The most impressive are those surrounding the exercise yards. Again, security is ever present — from the lights, sirens, barbed wire, catwalks, and guard towers atop the massive walls to the whistle-carrying guards patrolling below. An armory and central communications tower just outside reinforce the feeling that "all is well." Yet, with inmates congregated in small, cigarette-smoking groups near thick structures, one wonders if they might be covering up an escape tunnel or getting ready to throw a rope over the top. It's the perfect setting for writing Johnny Cash or Merle Haggard hits, which already penetrate San Quentin's walls.

Planned as an outing to give 571st members a picture of how a maximum security prison is run, to get ideas for their own Presidio custodial security duties, and for those who might enter prison work after the service, San Quentin Dynamic/Adventure training findings were even greater. "It's not the place for me," and "I thought the barracks were bad," comment two participants. But as one member of the company, Specialist 4 Adolphus Williams, found out when he saw a boy he had gone to high school with who is now serving time at San Quentin — it can happen to anyone!

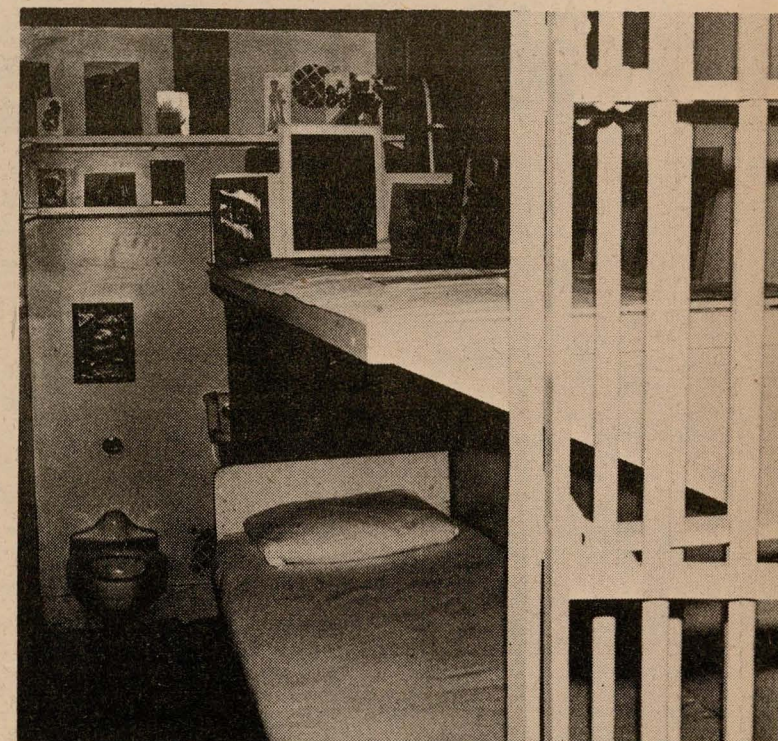
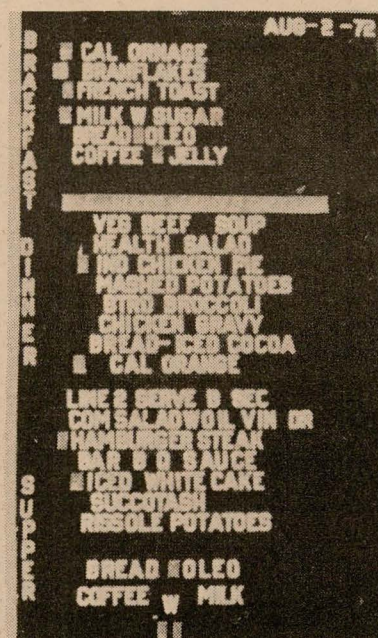
## prison special

"Johnny Cash at San Quentin," a documentary of the singer's concert visit to the California prison, will be retelecast Friday, August 25th, at 10 p.m. on Channel 5, San Francisco.

During the hour special, Johnny, who sings of prisons and convicts, of hard times and losers, and of trains of loneliness, presents two prison songs — "Folsom Prison" and "San Quentin" — both of special interest to the audience of inmates.

Throughout the musical performance, in which Cash accompanies himself on the guitar and harmonica and is accompanied by the other members of the troupe, there are film inserts of audience reaction and of convicts and guards describing the rigors and horrors of prison life in personal terms.

One convict, with supplementary testimony of a prison guard, tells a hair-raising story of a casual murder, the fear that gripped the inmates of Death Row, and the suspense of final days before a scheduled execution.





# FOCUS ON SPORTS

## Tennis tourney draws to a close

A single round robin Post Tennis Tournament, which started July 9, is rapidly drawing to a close. Maximum participation has resulted in numerous close matches. Tournament standings through August 12 were:

|                |                  | WON | LOST |
|----------------|------------------|-----|------|
| COL Prescott   | Asst C of S, 6A  | 14  | 0    |
| CPT Henning    | 6A Med Lab       | 7   | 0    |
| SP4 Dahlberg   | 170th MP Co      | 7   | 2    |
| SP5 Fountain   | HQ Co 6A Sp Trps | 6   | 3    |
| CPT Johnson    | Ch Div           | 5   | 1    |
| MAJ Drenzek    | 6A IG Office     | 5   | 3    |
| PVT Schuchard  | 6A Med Lab       | 5   | 5    |
| CPT Molter     | HQ Co 6A Sp Trps | 4   | 3    |
| CPT Howell     | Adv Gp, 91st Div | 3   | 3    |
| 1LT Marvin     | HQ Co 6A Sp Trps | 3   | 5    |
| PFC Menda      | HQ Co 6A Sp Trps | 3   | 5    |
| CPT Levy       | 6A SJA Office    | 3   | 6    |
| SP4 Lee        | HQ Co 6A Sp Trps | 3   | 7    |
| 1LT Claiborne  | 115th MI Gp      | 3   | 7    |
| MAJ Clark      | 6A IG Office     | 3   | 8    |
| SP4 McNaughton | 571st MP Co      | 1   | 4    |
| SP5 Joy        | Harbor Craft     | 0   | 3    |
| SP4 Heithaus   | 6A Med Lab       | 0   | 7    |

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## Piersall



Come rap with Jimmy Piersall, former major league baseball player for Boston, Cleveland, Washington, and the California Angels. On Monday, August 21 at 8 p.m. Jimmy will be at the Presidio Service Club.

During his career Piersall won the Golden Glove Award four times as the Outstanding American League center fielder. His fielding average was .997.

Jimmy, a well-known and entertaining speaker, claims golfing, fishing, and skiing as his hobbies. Summing up his career: he was one of the most colorful players in the history of baseball, and now is in charge of Group Sales and a member of the broadcasting team for the Oakland A's.

Get away to it all in August!



(U.S. Army Photo by SP5 R. Read)

## I 170th MP Co. takes track/field meet at GGP

Golden Gate Park was the site of the final Track and Field Meet on Monday. Team points were awarded for the first four sliding over the finish line in each event. The 170th MP Company, winning 54 points, became the final winner for the season. They walked away with the 100-yard dash, three-mile run, and long jump. Harbor Craft rolled in second with 17 points, taking first place for the 220- and 440-yard dash and the 880-yard run. Other events featured were the one-mile run, shotput, and discus.

Final units standings for the Presidio Track and Field Meet were:

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| 170th MP Co       | 3  |
| Harbor Craft      | 17 |
| HQB, 13th Arty Gp | 8  |
| HQ Co, USAG       | 8  |
| LGH               | 5  |
| 6A Med Lab        | 3  |

## soiree

"A Musical Soiree" is one of the highlights on the calendar at the Presidio Service Club this month. On the 27th at 8:00 p.m., the Prince Room hosts an hour of classical music and discussion.

First Lieutenant and Mrs. Stanley West on the clarinet and piano will be accompanied by two musical friends. Their music will include piano selections of Chopin and Prokofieff; clarinet sonata by Leonard Bernstein; flute, clarinet, and piano trio by Saint-Saens; and two-clarinet and piano trio by Mendelssohn. Prior to each number a brief discussion on the composer and music will be given by the performers.

The lieutenant and his wife have performed for hospitals, convalescent homes, institutions, and state hospitals. Both are musical graduates, and have future plans of teaching and performing in the musical field.

## flicks

Join the crowds and take in a flick at the Presidio Theater this week. Sunday and Monday catch "Dirty Harry" with Clint Eastwood; Tuesday it's "Sometimes a Great Notion," a return engagement; Wednesday, "Frogs," a suspenseful drama plays; "Big Jake," a western full of violence, on Thursday and Friday; and Saturday, "Living Free."

Of particular interest is "Dirty Harry," where San Francisco is terrorized by a sniper who kills a young girl and threatens to kill a black and a priest. Meanwhile, a 14-year-old girl is held as a hostage for ransom. After a chase, the cop and the sniper confront each other in an exciting climax. A truly thrilling flick filled with violence. Don't miss it unless you are offended by sexual and racial overtones.

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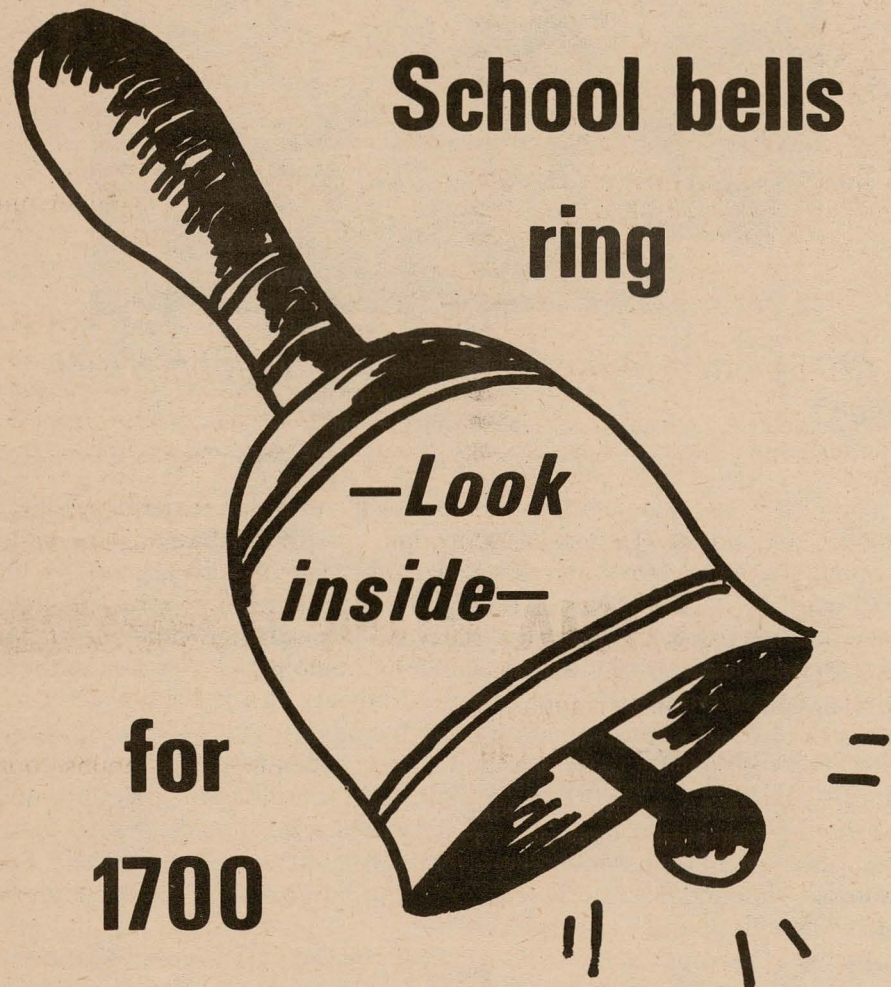


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## Presidio dependents

Well, it's that time of year again — summer's gone and golden rule days are comin' on.

Next week, some 1700 school-age dependents living on the Presidio and its subposts begin the return to area classrooms. Public schools start Tuesday in San Francisco and the following Monday in Marin County.

This year, as in the past, the federal government will reimburse these schools in excess of \$½ million for the education of Army dependents.

On post, the Dependent School Office of the Army Education Center acts as liaison between the Presidio and Bay area schools. Under the direction of Mrs. J.D. Mason, the office maintains active files on the dependent school population, schools attended, bus

schedules, and daily contact with school officers. Coordination and contact are also maintained with the Central School Board Office to monitor any changes being proposed for reassignment of Presidio children. The Dependent School Office makes no recommendations about schools, but lends a helping hand during pre-enrollment activities.

If a child is not registered through the Army Education Center, call Ext. 4445 or 3189 advising the Dependent School Office of the student's name, birthdate, grade, school the child will be attending, address, and emergency telephone number.

## Military wife visits PSF

Last week, Dorothy Ann Tuller, 1972 Military Wife of the Year, visited Bay area military installations.

The wife of Coast Guard Chief Warrant Officer Steve Tuller was welcomed to the Presidio by members of Army Community Service who hosted a coffee for her prior to a press conference held at the Service Club.

Mrs. Tuller, 31, is a licensed commercial pilot and amateur radio operator, and has flown 17 different kinds of planes. While in San Francisco, she took the Coast Guard's Hovercraft out around the bay and became its first woman pilot.

Mrs. Tuller is the first Coast

Guard wife to win the annual competition among the five armed services. During her one-year reign, she will tour service bases around the world and speak before military and civic groups. She will also be active with military wives in the Washington, D.C., area, where her husband is currently stationed.

After graduating from Boston University with a Bachelor of Science degree in education, Mrs. Tuller took advanced work in the field of disability and development education.

**The 'Star Presidian' devotes to the vote on Armed Forces Voters Day, September 15. Let it register!**

## Quickies

**SUPER TROOPER:** The Presidio Soldier of the Month for July is Specialist 4 Anthony J. Fruge. He's a member of the 402d Military Police Company.

**FAREWELL TO ARMS:** Major General O.A. Leahy, deputy commanding general, Sixth U.S. Army, will retire August 31, followed a month later on October 1, by Sixth U.S. Army's Commanding General, Lieutenant General Alexander D. Surles, Jr. Both are graduates of the United States Military Academy at West Point, and throughout their careers have held numerous important command and staff assignments. LtGen. Surles assumed command of Sixth Army in July 1971, and MajGen. Leahy arrived at the Headquarters in April 1970. On September 1, MajGen. Leahy will be recalled to active duty as Commanding General, U.S. Army Physical Disability Agency, in Washington, D.C.

**ELECTRICAL RIP-UP:** Electrical and environmental improvement will result from the current excavation along Lincoln Boulevard. The U.S. Army District Corps of Engineers is planting additional high-voltage electrical cables to service Fort Scott and at the same time burying the eyesore of existing overhead lines.

**ECOLOGICAL DUMP:** Debris boxes have been placed in various locations on the post for disposal of garden cutting, grass, or refuse. The cans and metal containers are for quarters use only. All other areas can use the box located in the Post Engineer Yard, rear of building 288.

**SHUT-UP:** The Military Pay Section, Finance and Accounting Division, will be closed for all customer and telephone business one day each month. The specific day will be two working days prior to each military payday. Exception will be made for emergencies and military personnel in- and out-processing.

**SATURDAY'S CHILD:** On September 9, the Pediatric Department at Letterman General Hospital will begin operation of a Saturday appointment clinic. Appointments may be made for any purpose relating to child care through the central appointment system at ext. 5381. No routine lab and X-ray work will be done — only emergencies.

**LEADING LADY:** Joyce Pleasants, wife of Captain William D. Pleasants, has been recognized as one of the Outstanding Young Women of America for 1972. Representing the Presidio Women's Club, she and others will be considered for state and, later, national recognition. Mrs. Pleasants is assistant treasurer of the Presidio Women's Club and volunteer supervisor of the Army Community Service (ACS) at the Presidio.

**RAM'S HORN SOUNDS:** Jewish New Year, Rosh Hashana, will be observed next Friday. It starts a ten-day holiday ending with Yom Kippur, September 17. Jewish personnel and dependents are encouraged to attend the High Holy Days services. For information about services held in San Francisco synagogues, contact Mrs. Sheba Furman at the Jewish Community Center, 3200 California St.

**BETTER HALVES MEET:** The Presidio NCO Wives' Club will hold the first monthly business meeting of their new year in the NCO Club on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Wives of all military enlisted men, E4 through E9, are invited. For additional information, contact Rose Hernandez, membership chairman, at 756-7242. Letterman Women's Club will hold a coffee welcoming the wife of Letterman's new commanding general on September 14 at 10:00 a.m. in the Letterman Annex Officers' Club. For reservations call ext. 5274 or 4071.

**FREEWILL WORKERS:** Two active post organizations need assistance. The Presidio Teen Club seeks individuals to aid the club director; the American Red Cross Field Office needs a receptionist.

**BIG TOP:** The San Francisco Bay Area Armed Forces Police Detachment, is encouraging units to sell tickets for the Police Athletic League Benefit Circus. Books of tickets for the November event are available through Platoon Sergeant George C. Longerbeam, Treasure Island Police Station, telephone: 765-6037.

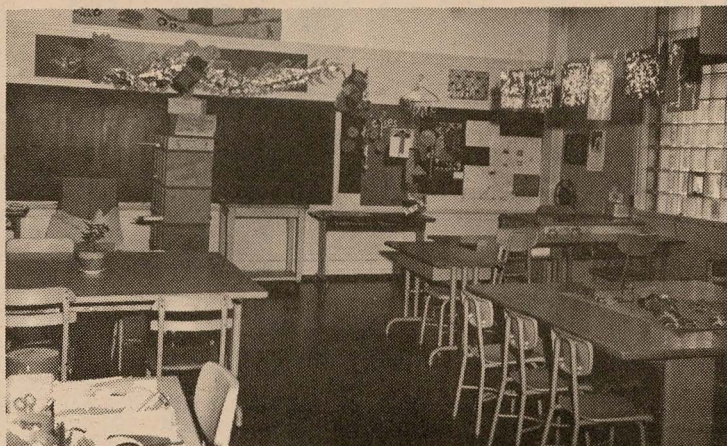
**SANTA'S HELPER:** Toyland opens today in Building 1019 (old Letterman General Hospital). Hours of operation will be: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**RED LETTER:** Headquarters Company, 504th Military Police Battalion, will receive the Best Mail Award for the second quarter of 1972. The award is given for outstanding performance in unit mail service. Responsible for the consolidated mail room are First Lieutenant Michael Shands and Specialist 4 Carl Halvorsen, unit mail clerk.

**LUNCHTIME EDUCATION:** Male and female officers and Civil Service employees can receive approved training over lunch. Improved public speaking results from participation in the Presidio's Toastmaster or Toastmistress Club.



# First looks are often deceiving...



*but ugliness is only skin deep as is illustrated in the Art-Science Multi-Ethnic Room of John Swett Grammar School. (U.S. Army Photos by SP4 B. Close)*

First looks are often deceiving and such is the case with John Swett Grammar School at 727 Golden Gate Avenue. Being used for the first time this year by dependents at the Presidio, its exterior ugliness is only skin deep!

After entering the building, it's a completely different picture. All classrooms are painted a cheerful yellow and blue with colorful bulletin boards surrounding the walls. In addition to the cleanliness of the school, students are offered new, dynamic, and unique programs of study.

The Elementary Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) has provided an outstanding reading and mathematics program at John Swett. This federal program has also provided such equipment as phonographs, TVs, tape recorders, and other audio-visual equipment for the curriculum lab. Although John Swett will not be eligible to participate in the program this year, some of the equipment will be retained by the school.

Through ESEA, John Swett received \$1,000 for their Art-Science Multi-Ethnic Room. This room, one of the more unique rooms in the school, is full of art and science materials and equipment, libraries, and aquariums. Last year, ESEA provided music and art para-professionals to run the program. This year the school asked for two full-time art and music para-professionals to be funded from other sources. Mother volunteers work with the aides in this program, and classes are limited to ten children. Thus, each student receives individualized instruction.

The projected enrollment of John Swett for this fall is 271 students of which an estimated 70 will be from the Presidio. There are 11 teachers on the staff headed by Mrs. Lois Simms, the principal. Fifty percent of the staff are individualized teachers and will instruct classes averaging 25 stu-

dents.

Today, an individualized teacher teaches the traditional matter with traditional text books. The class is divided into three reading and math groups, and uses high interest-level paperback and library books for reading material. The children have the opportunity to progress at their own rate with highly motivational material. Through individualized teaching, a child will not be stifled, and can be reading in the first grade at the third grade level. Modern education is moving into individualized programs, and John Swett is changing with the times.

In kindergarten, students are taught the readiness motorized skills — building things, learning right and left, eye coordination, painting, and drawing. When a child has mastered these skills, he is ready to start reading. Teachers often use their own talents in their teaching methods. For example, the kindergarten teacher is bilingual and when the need arises, can work with Spanish speaking children.

A special program at the school is coordinated with the San Francisco Museum of Art. Classes are scheduled monthly and all grade levels have the opportunity to participate under the instruction of "docents," volunteer women who give their service to the museum. Students are given art instruction by talented women and then able to create their own "works of art." Every year, the museum presents a 'Children's Art Show' — one of their more outstanding programs of the year, in which children in all public schools display their talents.

Although it's NOT in one of the best parts of San Francisco, students are offered a well-rounded elementary education — dynamic programs combined with a progressive faculty.

## Everything you always wanted to know about schools (and many weren't afraid to ask)

*How are school assignments determined for dependents residing on the Presidio?*

As in all areas of San Francisco, individual assignments for school-age dependents residing on the Presidio are determined by the district and zone where one lives. Here, the eastern and western housing areas and block numbers are the determining factors. Assignments are set up by the San Francisco Unified School District and not the Dependent School Office on post, as many have been led to believe.

*Why do some students living on the Presidio attend high school in Marin County?*

A San Francisco Unified School District regulation requires all stu-

dents over 18 to attend only adult high schools which are not conducive to college preparatory work. Marin County does not have this ruling and waives district/zone residence stipulations.

*Will school buses have monitors this year?*

Monitors are not planned this year. However, as in the past, volunteer groups may be organized for this purpose. One volunteer mother per bus will be permitted, but in no case will return transportation be provided. The Transportation Division of the San Francisco Unified School at 986-8444 can be contacted for additional information about monitors.

*Do Army buses take any students to their schools?*

No, Army buses operate only as

feeder lines to the nearest point of public transportation. In some cases the nearest point of public transportation may be located in the immediate vicinity of an assigned school.

*Why does Galileo High School operate on a split session?*

Galileo High School's split-session operation is the result of an exercise in democracy. Last year, when it became evident and necessary to close inadequate buildings at Galileo, a student body assembly of some 3,000 voted in the split-session day. Short of shifting students to other high schools spread throughout the city, this was the only solution that would not result in overcrowding.

*Why were students transferred from Pacific Heights Grammar School to John Swett Grammar School this year?*

To prevent the possibility of overcrowding, some children who last year attended Pacific Heights Grammar School were transferred to John Swett Grammar School. This overcrowding would have resulted from the closing of Pacific Heights' fourth floor, found lacking the proper facilities for the operation of grades kindergarten through three. This move also helps alleviate the uneven ethnic and population distribution which existed at both schools. At the same time it frees the fourth floor at Pacific Heights for a new active learning program for grades four through six, the Rooftop School.

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# ABCs

## Assignments and addresses

### SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE PRESIDIO

| BLOCK     | PRIMARY (K-3)   | INTERMEDIATE  | JUNIOR (7- 9)      | SENIOR (10-12) |
|-----------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|
| 000-099   | Hancock         | Raphael Weill | Presidio/Roosevelt | Washington     |
| 100-199   | Hancock         | " "           | " "                | "              |
| 300-399   | Hancock         | " "           | " "                | "              |
| 400-499   | Hancock         | " "           | " "                | "              |
| 500-599   | Hancock         | " "           | Marina             | Galileo        |
| 700-799   | Hancock         | " "           | "                  | "              |
| 800-899   | Hancock         | " "           | "                  | "              |
| 900-999   | John Swett      | " "           | Presidio/Roosevelt | Washington     |
| 1000-1099 | Hancock         | " "           | Marina             | Galileo        |
| 1200-1299 | John Swett      | " "           | Presidio/Roosevelt | Washington     |
| 1300-1399 | John Swett      | " "           | " "                | "              |
| 1400-1499 | John Swett      | " "           | " "                | "              |
| 1500-1599 | Pacific Heights | " "           | " "                | "              |
| 1600-1699 | Pacific Heights | " "           | " "                | "              |

### SAN FRANCISCO SCHOOLS

Hancock Grammar  
940 Filbert St.  
Phone: 441-7330

Pacific Heights Grammar  
2340 Jackson St.  
Phone: 931-1911

John Swett Grammar  
727 Golden Gate Ave.  
Phone: 863-6474

Raphael Weill Elementary  
1501 O'Farrell St.  
Phone: 346-4278

Presidio Junior High  
450 - 30th Ave.  
Phone: 752-2763

Marina Junior High  
3500 Fillmore St.  
Phone: 921-3285

Roosevelt Junior High  
460 Arguello  
Phone: 751-3933

Galileo High  
1150 Francisco St.  
Phone: 771-3150

Washington High  
600 - 32nd Ave.  
Phone: 387-0550

### MARIN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Bayside Elementary  
630 Nevada St. (Sausalito)  
Phone: 332-1024

Martin Luther King  
Ebb Tide (Sausalito)  
Phone: 332-1474

Tamalpais High  
Miller Ave & Camino Alto (Mill Valley)  
Phone: 388-3292

### SAUSALITO SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSIGNMENTS FOR FORTS BAKER AND BARRY

| (K-4)   | (5-8)              | (9-12)   |
|---------|--------------------|----------|
| Bayside | Martin Luther King | Tamplais |

## Bus schedules

### SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BUS SCHEDULES FOR THE PRESIDIO (Effective September 6, 1972)

PACIFIC HEIGHTS School is for grades kindergarten through third for students residing in blocks 1500 and 1600. Classes are scheduled to begin at 8:25 a.m. and finish at 2:05 p.m.

| PICK-UP POINT       | TIME       | BUS # |
|---------------------|------------|-------|
| 1613 Baker Court    | 7:50 a.m.  | 203   |
| 1575 Pershing Drive | 7:50 a.m.  | 208   |
| "                   | 7:45 a.m.  | 203   |
| "                   | 7:55 a.m.  | 217   |
| 1531 Pershing Drive | 7:53 a.m.  | 208   |
| "                   | 7:56 a.m.  | 203   |
| "                   | 7:58 a.m.  | 217   |
| 1613 Baker Court    | 10:30 a.m. | 64*   |
| "                   | 11:40 a.m. | 217*  |
| 1575 Pershing Drive | 10:34 a.m. | 64    |
| 1575 Pershing Drive | 11:43 a.m. | 217   |
| 1531 Pershing Drive | 10:36 a.m. | 64    |
| "                   | 11:45 a.m. | 217   |

\*Buses #64 and #217 are afternoon kindergarten buses only. Do not confuse with bus # 217 leaving at 7:55 a.m. for grades one through three.

HANCOCK GRAMMAR School is for grades kindergarten through third for students residing in blocks 000, 100, 300, 400, 500, 700, 800, and 1000. Classes are scheduled to begin at 8:25 a.m. and finish at 2:05 p.m.

| PICK-UP POINT                       | TIME       | BUS # |
|-------------------------------------|------------|-------|
| 759 Portola                         | 7:35 a.m.  | 312   |
| 715 Liggett                         | 7:38 a.m.  | 312   |
| Funston & Presidio                  | 7:55 a.m.  | 202   |
| 116 Sheridan                        | 7:57 a.m.  | 202   |
| 333 Infantry Terrace                | 7:59 a.m.  | 202   |
| 407 Washington                      | 8:02 a.m.  | 202   |
| Letterman Bus Stop<br>Shelter #1104 | 8:04 a.m.  | 202   |
| 856 MacArthur                       | 7:50 a.m.  | 210   |
| 856 MacArthur                       | 11:46 a.m. | 38*   |
| 759 Portola                         | 11:49 a.m. | "     |
| 715 Liggett                         | 11:51 a.m. | "     |
| Presidio & Funston                  | 11:53 a.m. | "     |
| 116 Sheridan                        | 11:55 a.m. | "     |
| 333 Infantry Terrace                | 11:57 a.m. | "     |
| 407 Washington                      | 11:59 a.m. | "     |
| 537 Simonds Loop                    | 12:03 p.m. | "     |

\*Bus #38 is for afternoon kindergarten classes at Hancock only.

RAPHAEL WEILL School is for grades four through six for ALL students residing on post. Classes are scheduled to begin at 9:25 a.m. and finish at 3:35 p.m.

| PICK-UP POINT        | TIME      | BUS # |
|----------------------|-----------|-------|
| 656 MacArthur        | 9:00 a.m. | 201   |
| Funston & Presidio   | 8:55 a.m. | 202   |
| 116 Sheridan         | 8:57 a.m. | 202   |
| 333 Infantry Terrace | 8:59 a.m. | 202   |

|                     |           |     |
|---------------------|-----------|-----|
| 407 Washington      | 9:02 a.m. | 202 |
| 1613 Baker Court    | 8:55 a.m. | 203 |
| 1575 Pershing Drive | 9:00 a.m. | 203 |
| 1575 Pershing Drive | 9:00 a.m. | 208 |
| 1531 Pershing Drive | 9:03 a.m. | 203 |
| 1521 Pershing Drive | 9:03 a.m. | 208 |
| 1407 Washington     | 8:55 a.m. | 204 |
| 1310 Kobbe          | 8:57 a.m. | 204 |

|                                        |           |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Battery Wagner &<br>Battery Howe       | 9:00 a.m. | 204 |
| 955 Hoffman                            | 9:02 a.m. | 204 |
| Lincoln Blvd &<br>Armistead Rd         | 9:04 a.m. | 204 |
| Bldg 654 — Crissy<br>Field Ave.        | 9:06 a.m. | 204 |
| Letterman Bus Stop —<br>Shelter # 1104 | 9:08 a.m. | 204 |
| 759 Portola                            | 8:55 a.m. | 213 |
| 715 Liggett                            | 8:58 a.m. | 213 |

JOHN SWETT GRAMMAR School is for grades kindergarten through third for students residing in blocks 900, 1200, 1300, and 1400. Classes are scheduled to begin at 8:55 a.m. and finish at 2:35 p.m.

| PICK-UP POINT                    | TIME       | BUS # |
|----------------------------------|------------|-------|
| 1407 Washington                  | 8:35 a.m.  | 214   |
| 1310 Kobbe                       | 8:37 a.m.  | 214   |
| Battery Wagner &<br>Battery Howe | 8:39 a.m.  | 214   |
| 955 Hoffman                      | 8:41 a.m.  | 214   |
| Lincoln Blvd &<br>Armistead Rd   | 8:43 a.m.  | 214   |
| 1407 Washington                  | 12:10 p.m. | 68*   |
| 1310 Kobbe                       | 12:12 p.m. | 68*   |
| Battery Wagner &<br>Battery Howe | 12:14 p.m. | 68*   |
| 955 Hoffman                      | 12:16 p.m. | 68*   |
| Lincoln Blvd &<br>Armistead Rd   | 12:18 p.m. | 68*   |

\*Bus #68 is for afternoon kindergarten sessions at John Swett.

### GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT SCHEDULE FOR FORTS BAKER AND BARRY (Effective September 11, 1972)

| PICK-UP POINT   | TIME      | ROUTE # |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| Fort Baker Gate | 8:05 a.m. | 5       |

| PICK-UP POINT   | TIME      | ROUTE # |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| Fort Baker Gate | 7:56 a.m. | 10      |

### MARIN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

| PICK-UP POINT   | TIME      | ROUTE # |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| Fort Baker Gate | 6:58 a.m. | 5*      |

\*Transfer to Route # 1 at Mill Valley, leaving at 7:30 a.m. On minimum school days, the same transfers will apply, using schedules available on the same frequency at an earlier hour.

TAMALPAIS HIGH SCHOOL (This is the only bus that will be marked "SCHOOL")

| PICK-UP POINT   | TIME      | ROUTE # |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| Fort Baker Gate | 7:35 a.m. | 99      |

All riders must have the correct change — 15¢ each way.

### SAUSALITO SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULES

(Available prior to beginning of school year. Watch DB.)

For students residing at Forts Baker and Barry and attending Bayside Elementary School or Martin Luther King School.

### FEEDER SERVICE PROVIDED BY ARMY BUSES FOR THE PRESIDIO AND FORTS BAKER AND BARRY

The following buses are for children attending SECONDARY SCHOOLS in the Richmond and Sunset districts. Connects with Muni bus #28 at 25th and California Streets.

| PICK-UP POINT         | TIME      | BUS # |
|-----------------------|-----------|-------|
| Storey & Ruckman      | 6:50 a.m. | 1     |
| 1290 Storey           | 6:51 a.m. | "     |
| 957 Lincoln (Rear)    | 6:54 a.m. | "     |
| Lincoln & Armstead    | 6:56 a.m. | "     |
| Kobbe & Upton         | 6:59 a.m. | "     |
| 1310 Kobbe            | 7:00 a.m. | "     |
| 8th Ave. & California | 7:07 a.m. | "     |
| Bldg. 66              | 6:55 a.m. | 2     |
| 512 Simonds Loop      | 6:58 a.m. | "     |
| 537 Simonds Loop      | 6:59 a.m. | "     |
| 715 Liggett           | 7:00 a.m. | "     |
| 7:50 Portola          | 7:02 a.m. | "     |
| 765 Portola           | 7:03 a.m. | "     |
| 857 MacArthur         | 7:04 a.m. | "     |
| 851 MacArthur         | 7:06 a.m. | "     |
| Presidio & MacArthur  | 7:08 a.m. | "     |
| Presidio & Funston    | 7:09 a.m. | "     |
| Post Theater          | 7:11 a.m. | "     |
| 333 Infantry Terrace  | 7:12 a.m. | "     |
| 8th & California      | 7:18 a.m. | "     |
| 1407 Washington Blvd. | 7:20 a.m. | 3     |
| 414 Washington        | 7:24 a.m. | "     |
| 8th Ave. & California | 7:30 a.m. | "     |

The following buses are for children attending INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS in the Richmond and Sunset districts. Connects with Muni bus #28 at 25th and California Streets.

| PICK-UP POINT    | TIME      | BUS # |
|------------------|-----------|-------|
| 512 Simonds Loop | 7:28 a.m. | 1     |
| 537 Simonds Loop | 7:29 a.m. | "     |
| 715 Liggett      | 7:31 a.m. | "     |
| 750 Portola      | 7:33 a.m. | "     |
| 765 Portola      | 7:35 a.m. | "     |

|                       |           |   |
|-----------------------|-----------|---|
| 857 MacArthur         | 7:38 a.m. | " |
| 851 MacArthur         | 7:39 a.m. | " |
| Presidio & MacArthur  | 7:40 a.m. | " |
| Presidio & Funston    | 7:42 a.m. | " |
| Post Theater          | 7:44 a.m. | " |
| Arguello & Cornwall   | 7:50 a.m. | " |
| 8th & California      | 7:53 a.m. | " |
| 1310 Kobbe            | 7:40 a.m. | " |
| Kobbe & Upton         | 7:42 a.m. | " |
| 1407 Washington       | 7:45 a.m. | " |
| 414 Washington        | 7:48 a.m. | " |
| Arguello & Cornwall   | 7:52 a.m. | " |
| 8th & California      | 7:55 a.m. | " |
| Storey & Ruckman      | 7:54 a.m. | 3 |
| 1290 Storey           | 7:55 a.m. | " |
| 957 Lincoln (Rear)    | 7:57 a.m. | " |
| Lincoln & Armstead    | 7:59 a.m. | " |
| 333 Infantry Terrace  | 8:03 a.m. | " |
| Arguello & Cornwall   | 8:09 a.m. | " |
| 8th Ave. & California | 8:12 a.m. | " |

The following bus connects with Muni bus #45 at the Post Bus Station.

| PICK-UP POINT  | TIME      | BUS # |
|----------------|-----------|-------|
| Kobbe & Upton  | 7:40 a.m. | 3     |
| 1310 Kobbe     | 7:42 a.m. | "     |
| 414 Washington | 7:45 a.m. | "     |

The following bus provides service to students attending schools in MARIN COUNTY and residing on the Presidio.

| PICK-UP POINT        | TIME      | BUS # |
|----------------------|-----------|-------|
| Presidio & Liggett   | 6:45 a.m. | 4     |
| 715 Liggett          | 6:47 a.m. | "     |
| 756 Portola          | 6:50 a.m. | "     |
| 857 MacArthur        | 6:53 a.m. | "     |
| 851 MacArthur        | 6:55 a.m. | "     |
| Presidio & MacArthur | 6:57 a.m. | "     |
| Presidio & Funston   | 6:58 a.m. | "     |
| 333 Infantry Terrace | 7:01 a.m. | "     |
| Kobbe & Upton        | 7:05 a.m. | "     |
| 1579 Pershing        | 7:08 a.m. | "     |
| Pershing & Stilwell  | 7:11 a.m. | "     |
| Lincoln & Brooks     | 7:15 a.m. | "     |

The following buses serve Forts Baker and Barry.

| PICK-UP POINT       | TIME      | BUS # |
|---------------------|-----------|-------|
| Qtrs. 919 Ft. Barry | 7:12 a.m. | 5     |
| Qtrs. 936 Ft. Barry | 7:16 a.m. | "     |
| Bldg. 802 Ft. Barry | 7:20 a.m. | "     |
| Ft. Baker Gate      | 7:30 a.m. | "     |
| Qtrs. 919 Ft. Barry | 7:40 a.m. | "     |
| Qtrs. 936 Ft. Barry | 7:44 a.m. | "     |
| Bldg. 802 Ft. Barry | 7:48 a.m. | "     |
| Bldg. 640 Ft. Baker | 7:53 a.m. | "     |
| Bldg. 601 Ft. Baker | 7:55 a.m. | "     |
| Qtrs. 606 Ft. Baker | 7:57 a.m. | "     |

## Chalk it up

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School opens!

2+2=4

September 6-San Francisco

September 11-Marin County

NOTE: This blackboard will appear in the "Star Presidian" on an as needed basis throughout the school year. Submit short announcements about dependent school activities to Editor, Star Presidian, Information Office, Bldg. 87 or call ext. 3908.

clip and save



# FOCUS ON SPORTS

## 6A sports clinics held here

The 1972 Sixth US Army Fall Sports Clinics will be conducted at the Presidio on September 19 and 20. The agenda will consist of instruction in bowling, flag football, and basketball.

The purpose of these clinics will be to provide instruction which will benefit and improve the intramural sports program. Furthermore, the clinics will assist local units desiring to better implement the new REACH (Recreation, Endurance, Agility,

Coordination, Health) program. These clinics are designed for officials, unit athletic and recreation personnel, and individual soldiers desiring to learn basic fundamentals of the sports.

Schedule for clinic sessions will be:

| SPORT      | DATE         | TIME                | PLACE          |
|------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Bowling    | September 19 | 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. | Bowling Center |
| Football   | September 19 | 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. | Post Gym       |
| Basketball | September 20 | 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. | Post Gym       |

## 402d MPs take swim meet

Intramural swimming competition at the post pool was completed August 15.

Team points were awarded for the first three finishers in the following events: 50-yard breaststroke, backstroke, and freestyle; 100-yard butterfly, backstroke, and freestyle; and 200- and 400-yard freestyle. Private First Class Dardlow, 402d MP Co, Specialist 4 Steinman, LGH, and First Lieutenant Marvin, 6A Special Troops, dominated entrants in individual performances.

Final unit standings for the PSF Swimming Meet were:

|             |           |
|-------------|-----------|
| 402d MP Co  | 24 points |
| Letterman   | 20 points |
| 6A Sp Trps  | 14 points |
| 6A Med Lab  | 6 points  |
| HQ Co USAG  | 5 points  |
| 170th MP Co | 3 points  |

## Post golf tourney set

The Sports Division will conduct a 36-hole Post Golf Tournament on September 13 and 14 at the Presidio Golf Club. Tee times for 18 holes each day will start at 9 a.m.

There will be competition in Senior and Open Divisions with appropriate awards presented for each.

PSF assigned or attached active duty personnel are eligible to participate. Individuals desiring to enter the tournament should contact the PSF Sports Division, Ext. 4120/5032 not later than September 8.



(Photo courtesy of South Lake Tahoe News Service)

## Special Services Sports Schedule

As diverse as the participants, here's the Special Services schedule of organized team and individual sports for active duty personnel during the next year at the Presidio.

In addition to those sports listed, cross country, water polo, weightlifting, table tennis, horseshoes, and gymnastics will also be sponsored. Activities marked with (\*) are open to women and those with (X) signify all-Army, interservice, national, or international competitions.

All events and dates are subject to change and will be determined and announced at monthly Sports Council meetings.

Participating units and individuals should mark their calendars and plan early. Officials and players clinics, intra-league and tournament play, and post teams will be organized for most of the sports on the schedule.

Interested participants should contact their unit sports coordinator or the Special Services Sports Office at Ext. 4120 for further information.

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Basketball (*, X) | October  |
| Paddle Ball       | November |
| Soccer            | November |
| Judo (*)          | December |
| Squash            | December |

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| Wrestling               | January       |
| Boxing (X)              | February      |
| Fencing (*)             | February      |
| Volleyball (*, X)       | February      |
| Softball (*, X)         | March         |
| Badminton (*)           | April         |
| Golf (*, X)             | April         |
| Slow Pitch Softball (X) | April         |
| Baseball                | June          |
| European Handball (X)   | July & August |
| Tennis (*, X)           | July          |
| Bowling (*, X)          | August        |
| Flag Football           | August        |
| Swimming/Diving         | August        |
| Track/Field (X)         | August        |

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Karate (\*) September

## Get away to it all in September:

### Armed Services YMCA

166 Embarcadero  
392-2191

- 1 — Ping-pong, cards, and games 7 to 9 p.m.
- 3 — Free home-cooked meal followed by rap sessions, games, or Coffee House, 6 p.m.
- 10 — Picnic, hike, and fossil-hunting on Mt. Diablo. Leave "Y" at 9:30 a.m. Cost \$1.00.
- 12 — Ice-skating party. Leave "Y" at 7:30 p.m.
- Coming Event** — Volunteer leaders are needed on an outdoor trip for inner-city children to be held on September 17. Contact YMCA program director.

### Art

- 9 — Opening of the Norman Rockwell Retrospective Exhibition, de Young Museum; Pre-Columbian Art goes on view September 15th.

### Information

**More Information** — Call 391-2000 for a daily report on special events and activities in and around the Bay area and 561-2000 (Presidio Service Club) for information on discounts and free admission to many local happenings.

### Movies

- 1 — *The Legend of Nigger Charley* (PG), Presidio Theater. *Horror on Snape Island* (R), Letterman Theater.
- 2 — *Willy Wonka, The Chocolate Factory* (G), Presidio Theater.
- 3 — *Buck and The Preacher* with Sidney Poitier and Harry Belafonte (PG), Presidio Theater.
- 4 — *Buck and The Preacher*, Presidio Theater. *Blindman* with Tony Anthony and Ringo Starr (R), Letterman Theater.
- 5 — *Horror on Snape Island*, Presidio Theater. *Duck You Sucker* with Rod Steiger and James Coburn (PG), Letterman Theater.
- 6 — *Blindman*, Presidio Theater. *The Jerusalem File* (PG), Letterman Theater.
- 7 — *Duck You Sucker*, Presidio Theater. *Cancel My Reservation* with Bob Hope and Eva Marie Saint (G), Letterman Theater.
- 8 — *Duck You Sucker*, Presidio Theater. Double feature with *Tales from the Crypt* (PG) and *Soul to Soul* (G), Letterman Theater.
- 9 — *The Jerusalem File*, Presidio Theater.
- G — **General Audiences.** All ages admitted.
- PG — **Parental Guidance.** This film contains material which may not be suited for pre-teenagers.
- R — **Restricted.** Under 17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian.
- X — **No One Under 17 Admitted.**
- Basic Admission Charges.** Adults (50¢) and children (25¢) unless otherwise specified.

### Music

- 3 — And every Sunday in September, band concerts by a 25-piece brass band playing in the outdoor rotunda of the Palace of Fine Arts, 2 p.m.

### NCO Club

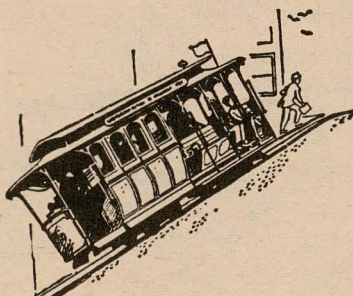
- 1 — Western night with music by the *Country Express*, 8:30 p.m.
- 2 and 3 — Chef's special meal for \$2.00.
- 6 — Record Hop, 8:30 p.m.
- 8 — Country music by the *California Cowboys*, 8:30 p.m.
- Note** — Starting today, the Tiki Annex will be closed for renovation. The reopening date will be announced later.

### Officers' Club

- 1 — Dotte Del Prado at the piano bar followed by dance with the *Four Corners Quartet*. Letterman Annex.
- 2 — Dance with music by Joe Brigandi. Main Club.
- 6 — Chuckwagon and dance with Jack Martens. Main Club.
- 8 — Dance with music by the *Creek Frog*. Log Cabin Annex.
- 9 — Dance music provided by Jimmy Blass. Main Club.
- 10 — Smorgasbord and dance with Bill Sache. Main Club.
- 13 — Dance with music by Joe Brigandi. Main Club.
- Coming Events** — Hawaiian Luau and floor show, September 20, and Square Dance, September 27. Both at Main Club.

### Service Club

- 3 — Outdoor barbeque, 6 p.m. Kinetic art films, 7 p.m.
- 4 — Labor Day activities; club opens at 10:30 a.m.
- 9 — Horseback riding in Novato; bus departs at 8 a.m. Sports films and popcorn, 8 p.m.
- 10 — Mexican buffet, 6 p.m.
- 11 — Pub nite features darts and pizza, 8 p.m.
- 14 — Post dance with the *Byrd*, 8 p.m.
- Coming events** — Action League for POW/MIA's rap, September 16. Voters session, September 24. Free hay ride, September 26.



### Sports

- 3 — S.F. 49ers and Oakland Raiders play an exhibition game at Candlestick Park.
- 7 and 8 — S.F. Giants take on the Houston Astros at Candlestick Park.
- 9 and 10 — Baseball continues with the Giants and Cincinnati.
- 9 — Roller Derby in the Cow Palace.
- 12 and 13 — Game time is 8 p.m. for the Giants-Dodgers games at Candlestick Park.

**Sportsdial** — Call 478-9560 for the latest San Francisco and Oakland team scores and standings. Sportsdial is a public service of the *San Francisco Examiner* and *KSFO* radio.

### Teen Club

- 2 — Dance at Treasure Island, 8 p.m. to midnight. Bus leaves club at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$1.50 per person.
- 5 — Homework nite from 8 to 9:30 p.m. for grades 7 through 11. Help available every Tuesday night.
- 8 — Pizza and sock hop, 7:30 to 10 p.m.
- 9 — Roller-skating nite. Bus leaves club at 7 p.m. Cost is \$1.00 per member.
- 14 — Activity planning. All welcome.
- Coming Event** — Back-to-school dance with soul band. Members only, 8 p.m. to midnight.

### Theatre

- 1 — "Sleuth" is nearing the end of its engagement at the Marines' Memorial Theatre.
- 1 — For an indefinite period, "Norman, Is That You?" at the On Broadway Theatre.

- 1-30 — "Godspell," the rock musical based on the Gospel of St. Matthew, Geary Theatre.
- 5 — June Allyson and Dennis Day have the leads in "No, No, Nanette," a Civic Light Opera production beginning a seven-week engagement at the Curran Theatre.

### USO

1017 Market Street  
621-0630

- 1 — Dance with music by Mark Benson, 8:30 p.m.
- 3 — Rock concert and light show by *God's Creation*, 5 p.m.
- 4 — Labor Day come-as-you-are dance, 8:30 p.m.
- 9 — Boating at Stow Lake, 1 p.m.
- 10 — *The Occult . . . and You*, explanations and demonstrations of astrology, witchcraft, etc., 3 p.m.
- Coming events** — Discotheque dance featuring go-go girls, September 23, 8:30 p.m. Dances every Friday and Saturday, 8:30 p.m. City tours, every Saturday; bus departs at 1 p.m.

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## LABOR DAY: DRIVE TO SURVIVE



# Presidential Visit

September 5, 1972



## Opposite sides of the fence

Awaiting the arrival of President Nixon's helicopter at Crissy Field are Sergeant Ronald Hale, a member of the 170th MP Company, and a camera-clad coed. The entire 504th MP Battalion and more than 1,000 spectators were on hand during the President's two-hour stopover here. At the same time, a crowd of some 250 anti-war protestors staged a peaceful demonstration at the Lombard Gate.



## Hail to the Chief

At plane side the Presidio's commanding officer, Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr., and Mrs. Fellows greet the Commander-in-Chief and Mrs. Nixon. Major Anthony Di Caprio, director, Plans, Training, and Security, PSF (far left), and Secret Service agents look on. The President was officially welcomed to the Presidio earlier by Lieutenant General Alexander D. Surles, Jr., commanding general, Sixth U.S. Army.



## Prominent people on parks

Topside, while cruising San Francisco Bay by ferryboat, Mr. Nixon and his wife, Pat, talk with Interior Secretary Rogers C.B. Morton. While on board, they met with the President's Citizens Advisory Committee on Environmental Quality to discuss the proposed Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Prominent at the meeting were pioneer aviator Charles Lindbergh, entertainer Arthur Godfrey, and former astronaut Frank Borman. Also in attendance were Oregon Governor Tom McCall, California Lieutenant Governor Ed Reinecke, and San Francisco Mayor Joseph Alioto. Parts of the Presidio and its subposts, along with Ft. Point, are being considered for inclusion within the large park to be known as Gateway West, part of the President's "Legacy of Parks" program.

Photos by Sergeant Mike Clark and George B. Grimes

# STAR PRESIDIAN

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## Quickies

**NEW CAST OF STARS:** Lieutenant General Richard G. Stilwell will assume command of 6th US Army upon the retirement of Lieutenant General Alexander D. Surles, Jr., on October 1. LtGen. Stilwell is currently the Deputy Chief of Staff for Military Operations, Department of the Army and senior US Army member on the Military Staff Committee of the United Nations.

**RATES GO DOWN:** Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SGLI) rates have been lowered. Active duty personnel now pay \$2.55 per month for the standard \$15,000 coverage. Prior to July 1 the rate had been \$3.00 per month for the same coverage. The new rate for \$10,000 is now \$1.70 a month and for \$5,000, it is 85¢ a month. Active duty personnel are automatically covered for \$15,000 the day they enter the service or until they request reduced coverage.

**POSTER PROS:** The Presidio Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program (ADAP) is sponsoring a poster contest for all personnel on post — military, dependents, and DACs. The theme is chemical abuse, and prizes will be awarded in many categories. The one chosen "Poster of the Year," will represent the ADAP program throughout the year and be printed for CONARC and 6th US Army use. Entries are being accepted until October 31 and will be exhibited at the Up Front House. For further information, dial LIFE (5433).

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS, PASTA, AND PIZZA:** Civilian career interns will meet for lunch next Friday at John's Italian Restaurant. Featured guest speaker will be Colonel P. Lee Mason, Chief, Public Affairs, 6th US Army. Lunch and refreshments will be available on a no-host basis from 11:30 A.M. prior to the meeting. All interns — old and new — are welcome. For more information, contact Don Patterson, Ext. 3845.

**STUDENT FOR A DAY:** Reintroduce yourself to learning without making a long commitment. Plan to attend one of the Saturday Seminars, special one-day programs operated by the Army Education Center. Small fees are sometimes required to cover the cost of professional instructors and speakers. The next seminar — Human Relations Skills — is scheduled for September 30. For more information, contact the Education Center at Ext. 4900.

**INFLATION IN THE ALLEYS:** Last Friday, the price of bowling at the Presidio Bowling Center was increased to 40¢ per game. Junior league bowling is 15¢ per game.

**THE INS AND OUTS:** Army Community Service will conduct an orientation for all interested personnel. It will be held at the Religious Activities Center September 19 and 21, from 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

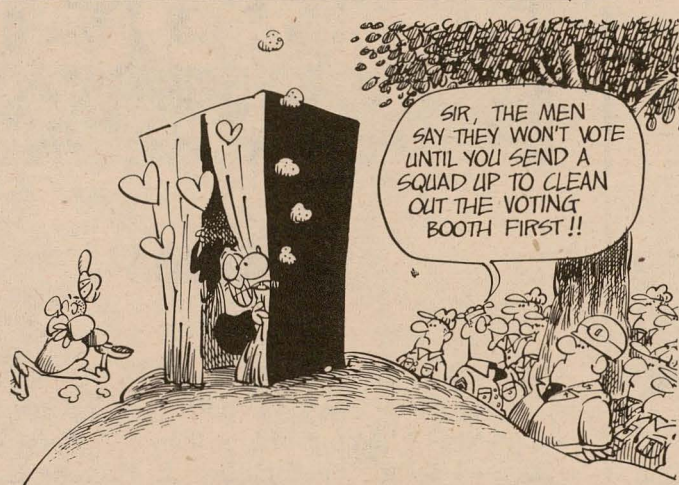
**ONE-NIGHT STAND:** Bobby Stevens, Sonny Charles, and the Checkmates are giving a one-night performance at the Presidio Playhouse prior to their opening at Basin Street West. The ten-member group, sponsored by the Special Services Entertainment Division, will be performing Thursday, September 28, at 8:00 P.M. Tickets are free and can be obtained from the playhouse box office daily between 1 and 5 P.M. after September 25. Seating will be on first-come, first-served basis, and the doors open at 7:45 P.M. For additional information, call Ext. 3992 after 1 P.M.

**SEE YOUR DRAWINGS IN PRINT:** Artists: Volunteer your talent to the *Star Presidian* and the upcoming Post Guide. For more information, contact Editor, *Star Presidian* at Ext. 3908.

**POWs/MIAs COMING UP:** The next issue of the *Star Presidian* — September 29 — features the plight of POWs/MIAs in Southeast Asia and the efforts organized on their behalf. Some of the topics will include information about the Presidio Action League, interviews with wives of POWs/MIAs, the bracelet, and the current status of those individuals.



# Vote '72: Who, What, When



**SEPTEMBER 15, 1972  
ARMED FORCES VOTERS DAY**

Today, Armed Forces Voters Day 1972, the Star Presidian devotes this section to the vote. It's also devoted to you and will not self-destruct until you have cast your ballot. Please let it register! — Ed.

**WHO? He (or she) is your unit or staff section voting officer, the key person within the Army's Voting Assistance Program. Today, color him helpful. He's there to provide any or all assistance and information. Contact him.**

Presidio Voting Officer  
1st Lt. Casey

All Staff Sections, PSF  
HQ Company USAG  
D Company USAG  
864th Engineers  
51st Engineers  
16th Base Post Office  
504th MP Bn

1stLt. Casey  
1stLt. Magana  
Capt. Harris  
COW2 King  
1stLt. Chaffee  
1stLt. Katayama  
2ndLt. Mahnke

6th Army Voting Officer  
Mr. Peavy

6A Special Troops  
HQ Company Special Troops  
6A Communications Det  
6A Flight Det  
6A Band  
DCSOPS  
DCSLOG  
Surgeon  
DCSRF  
PM  
Chaplain  
SJA  
OCPA  
SGS  
IG  
DCSI  
DCSPER  
MISO  
AG

Capt. White  
2ndLt. Ewing  
1stLt. Meyers  
1stLt. Cullman  
CWO2 Howell  
SgtMaj. Nadzam  
SgtMaj. Brittain  
2ndLt. Staup  
Capt. Thompson  
2ndLt. Bacon  
MSgt. Randle  
Capt. Cossey  
Capt. Maguire  
Capt. Saffold  
Maj. Clark  
SgtMaj. Arambula  
Mr. Peavy  
Mr. Derr  
Miss Maloney

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## WHAT AND HOW? It's your FPCA, Federal Post Card Application. Blank now — fill it out — here's how.

— Standard Form 76, commonly called the Federal Post Card Application, or FPCA, is a postage-free card which military personnel and dependents can use to request registration or an absentee ballot.

— Print by hand or use a typewriter.

— Be sure all requested information is supplied and that it is written clearly and legibly.

— Write your name twice, once printed or typed, and once in your own handwriting. Anyone may fill out the card, but only the person who is to be registered or receive the ballot may write his name on Line 9 (signature line) unless the state specifies otherwise.

— Show number and street or rural route number of residence. Include name of home county. This helps state officials speed action on your application.

— Military addresses, particularly in abbreviated form, are often confusing to civilians. Clearly print or type such addresses so that no letter or number can be misread or misunderstood.

— "Applicant's legal voting residence" is the place where he has actually lived — not just a residence of record. Give no more than one such address. If you have lived at more than one address in a state, give only the last, most recent address.

— Have FPCA certified as required by your state.

— Before addressing the FPCA, check the state's mailing instructions. Some states require that the card be addressed to the state election official, who then sends it on to the proper local official. Other states require that the card be addressed to a local official, such as the County Clerk or Auditor, or to an Election Board.

— Mail the FPCA as early as the state permits. No postage is required.

— If you apply for ballot or registration by letter instead of by FPCA, include the same information required by the FPCA. It is advisable to have the letter subscribed and sworn to by a commissioned officer or authorized civilian; otherwise, it may be returned for proper attestation.

— Still have questions? Take a look at the sample in this week's paper.

## WHERE AND WHEN? Give your home-state voting official a thrill. Drop him a few lines on the FPCA. Mail early and in case you've lost his address, read on.

**ALABAMA** — Requires you be registered by October 27. Address your FPCA registration request to the Board of Registrars, county of residence. After registering, submit a second FPCA, addressed to the County Register, county of residence, after September 23 to get your absentee ballot.

**ALASKA** — Requires you be registered by October 8. After registering, you must submit a second FPCA to get your absentee ballot. Send your FPCA request to the Lieutenant Governor, Pouch AA, Juneau, Alaska 99801. Postmark on envelope returning ballot must be no later than the date of the election.

**ARIZONA** — Send requests for the election ballot to your County Recorder between October 5-November 4.

**ARKANSAS** — Write to your County Clerk for the election ballot after September 8.

**CALIFORNIA** — Special State registration form, sent with the absentee ballot, is used for registration. Address your FPCA to the County Clerk, county of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials no later than 5 p.m. on the day before the election.

**COLORADO** — Request election ballot between August 9-November 3; must be registered by October 6. Write to the County Clerk; if from Denver, to the Election Commission.

**CONNECTICUT** — Special State registration form, sent with the absentee ballot is used for registration. Address your FPCA to the Town Clerk, town of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials by 6 p.m. of the day before the election.

**DELAWARE** — Special State registration form, sent with the absentee ballot, is used for registration. This form must be completed and returned by October 28. Address your FPCA to the Department of Elections, county of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials before 12 noon on the day before election.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA** — Uses the FPCA for registration purposes, so be sure it is witnessed by a person authorized to administer oaths. Address your FPCA to the Board of Elections, District Building, Washington, D.C. 20004, to arrive before October 31. Voted ballot must reach election officials by 8 p.m. on the day of election.

**FLORIDA** — Request election ballot after September 23; must be registered by October 8. Write to your County Supervisor of Registration.

**GEORGIA** — Request election ballot between August 9-November 2; must be registered by September 18. Write to your County Board of Registrars.

**GUAM** — Waives registration for servicemen. Address FPCA to Election Commission. Voted ballot must arrive before November 4.

### FILL OUT BOTH POST CARD APPLICATION

State or Commonwealth of \_\_\_\_\_

(1) I hereby request an absentee ballot (GENERAL) (PRIMARY) (Strike out in box)

(2) \*If a ballot is requested for print your political party at in this box: (If primary election is secret in your state, strike out in box)

(3) I am a citizen of the United States and am:

a. A member of the Armed Forces of the United States

b. A member of the merchant marine service of the United States

c. A citizen of the United States residing outside of the territorial limits of the United States

d. A spouse or dependent of a person described in (a), (b), or (c) above

(4) I was born on \_\_\_\_\_ (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year)

(5) For \_\_\_\_\_ years preceding the date of this election, my residence in the above territory was \_\_\_\_\_ (Street and number) \_\_\_\_\_ (City, town, or village) \_\_\_\_\_ (County or parish) \_\_\_\_\_ (State)

The voting precinct or election district is \_\_\_\_\_ (Precinct or district number) \_\_\_\_\_ (Precinct or district name)

(6) Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

(7) Mail my ballot to the following address: \_\_\_\_\_ (For those assigned in the U.S.) \_\_\_\_\_ (Unit (Co., Sq., Tpn., Bn., etc.)) \_\_\_\_\_ (Military Base, Station, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ (APO, or other address)

(8) I am NOT requesting a ballot by mail, and have not voted in any other manner at any other address

(9) \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of applicant)

(10) \_\_\_\_\_ (Full name, typed or printed)

(11) Subscribed and sworn to before me on \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

(Signature of official administering oath)

(Title or rank, service number, etc.)

A. Before filling out this form see your State and absentee registration law.

B. Type or print all entries except signature.

C. Address card to proper State official will furnish you his title and address.

D. Mail card as soon as your State law requires.

E. NO postage is required for the card.

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ADDRESS OF ELECTION OFFICIAL AT YOUR VOTING RESIDENCE

Standard Form 76  
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76-105



# Where, When, Why, & How

**HAWAII** — Request election ballot between September 8-October 28. Write to your County Clerk.

**IDAHO** — Request election ballot after September 8. Write to your County Clerk.

**ILLINOIS** — Request the election ballot after July 30. Write to the County Clerk or board of Election Commissioners.

**INDIANA** — Request election ballot between October 8-November 4. Write to the Circuit Court Clerk.

**IOWA** — Request election ballot after August 9. Write to the County Auditor or to the City-Town Clerk.

**KANSAS** — Request election ballot after September 3. Write to the Secretary of State, Topeka, KS 66612.

**KENTUCKY** — Special State registration form, sent with absentee ballot, is used for registration. Address your FPCA to the County Clerk, county of residence, to arrive before October 18. Voted ballot must reach election officials before close of polls on election day.

**LOUISIANA** — Requires you to be registered by October 8. Address your FPCA registration request to the Registrar of Voters, parish or residence. To receive your absentee ballot, submit a second FPCA to the Clerk of District Court, parish of residence (Orleans Parish: Civil Sheriff). Voted ballot must reach issuing official within sufficient time to allow delivery to the Commissioners of Election on election day.

**MAINE** — Has no set registration deadline, but you must be registered before requesting an absentee ballot. Address FPCA registration request to the Board of Registration or Registrar of Voters, municipality of residence. Address ballot request to the City-Town Clerk. Voted ballot must reach election officials before 3 p.m. on election day.

**MARYLAND** — Uses the executed affidavit on the ballot-return envelope for registration. Address your FPCA to the Board of Supervisors of Election, county of residence or City of Baltimore, to arrive before October 31. Voted ballot must reach election officials before close of polls on election day.

**MASSACHUSETTS** — Uses FPCA as registration for the election for which an absentee ballot is requested, so have your FPCA witnessed. Address your FPCA to the City or Town Clerk, place of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials before close of polls on election day.

**MICHIGAN** — Ballot requests must be submitted to the City or Township Clerk between August 24-November 4.

**MINNESOTA** — Uses FPCA for registration purposes, so have the card witnessed. Address your FPCA to the County Auditor, county of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials before close of polls on election day.

**MISSISSIPPI** — Requires you be registered by July 7. Address FPCA registration request to the City or County Registrar, place of residence. FPCA ballot request, to same address, may be submitted after October 8. Voted ballot must be returned in time to be delivered to election officials no later than the day on which returns of election are received and canvassed.

**MISSOURI** — Waives registration for servicemen and dependents residing with a military sponsor. Address your FPCA to the Clerk of County Court or Board of Election Commissioners, place of residence. Voted ballot must reach election official no later than 4 p.m. on election day.

**MONTANA** — Request for ballot should be filed after September 23. Write to the County, City, or Town Clerk.

**NEBRASKA** — Request for election ballot should be submitted between August 9-November 3. Write to the County Clerk; if from Douglas, Lancaster, or Sarpy Counties, write to the Election Commissioner.

**NEVADA** — Registration deadline is October 8. Requires separate FPCA requests for registration and an absentee ballot. Send all FPCAs to the Board of Registrars or Court Clerk, county of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials before close of polls on election day.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE** — Uses FPCA for registration purposes, so have it witnessed. Address your FPCA to the Secretary of State, Concord, New Hampshire 03301. Voted ballot must reach election officials before close of polls on election day.

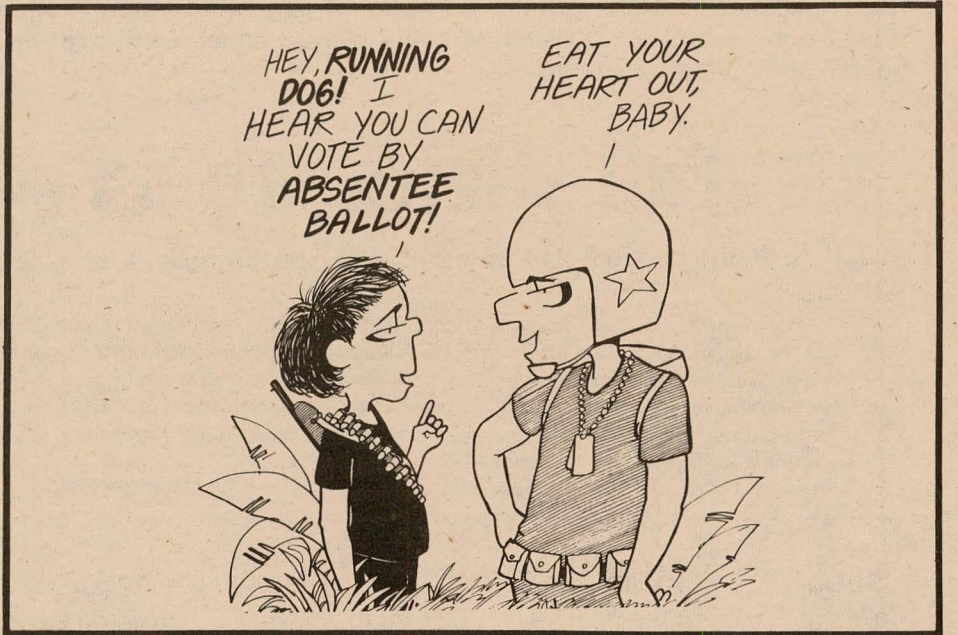
**NEW JERSEY** — Waives registration for servicemen and their dependents. Address your FPCA to the County Clerk, county of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials before close of polls on election day.

**NEW MEXICO** — Uses FPCA as registration for the election for which an absentee ballot is requested, so have your FPCA witnessed. Address your FPCA to the County Clerk, county of residence, to arrive before October 28. Voted ballot must reach polling place no later than 7 p.m. on election day.

**NEW YORK** — Registered when FPCA is accepted, so be sure to have it witnessed. Address your FPCA to the Division for Servicemen's Voting, 162 Washington Ave., Albany, New York 12225, to arrive before October 28. Voted ballots must be returned no later than 12 noon of the day before election.

**NORTH CAROLINA** — Uses FPCA for registration purposes, so be sure to have it witnessed. Address your FPCA to the Chairman, County Board of Elections, county of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials no later than noon on the Saturday preceding the election.

**NORTH DAKOTA** — Write to your County Auditor for election ballots after October 8.



**OHIO** — Waives registration for servicemen, address FPCA to the Clerk, County Board of Elections, county of residence, to arrive before November 4. Voted ballot must reach election officials no later than 12 noon on election day.

**OKLAHOMA** — Waives Registration for servicemen. Address your FPCA to the Secretary, County Election Board, county of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials no later than 5 p.m. on November 3.

**OREGON** — Uses executed affidavit on the ballot-return envelope for registration. Address your FPCA to the County Clerk, county of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials no later than closing of polls on election day.

**PENNSYLVANIA** — Special State registration form, sent with the absentee ballot, is used for registration. Address your FPCA to the County Board of Elections, county of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials no later than 5 p.m. on November 3.

**PUERTO RICO** — Registration closed in February. FPCA ballot request must have been received by the General Supervisor of Elections by September 1. Voted ballot must reach election officials before election day.

**RHODE ISLAND** — Waives registration for the serviceman. Address your FPCA to the Board of Canvassers and Registration, place of residence, to arrive before 5 p.m. on October 17. Voted ballot must reach election officials no later than 9 p.m. on election day.

**SOUTH CAROLINA** — Special State registration form, sent with the absentee ballot, must be completed and returned by October 8. Address your FPCA to the Board of Registration, county of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials before close of polls on election day.

**SOUTH DAKOTA** — Uses FPCA ballot request for registration, so be sure a commissioned officer witnesses your FPCA. Address your FPCA to the County-City Auditor or Town-Township Clerk, place of residence, to arrive before October 23. Voted ballot must reach election officials before close of polls on election day.

**TENNESSEE** — Request election ballot between August 9-October 28. Write to the County Election Commission.

**TEXAS** — Uses FPCA for registration, so be sure it is witnessed. Address your FPCA to the Office of County Clerk, county of residence, to arrive preferably before September 23. Voted ballot must reach election officials by midnight November 6.

**UTAH** — Request election ballot between October 8-November 2. Write to the County Clerk, county of residence.

**VERMONT** — Uses executed affidavit on ballot-return envelope for registration. Address your FPCA to the Town Clerk, place of residence. Voted ballot must reach election officials before closing of polls on election day.

**VIRGINIA** — Address FPCA to Registrar, place of residence. Return voted ballot by registered or certified mail to reach election officials before the polls close on election day.

**VIRGIN ISLANDS** — Uses FPCA for registration purposes, so have it witnessed. Address FPCA to Supervisor of Elections, No. 3, Crystal Gade, St. Thomas, V.I. 00803. Voted ballot must reach Board of Elections before the polls close on election day.

**WASHINGTON** — Request election ballot after July 1. Write to the Secretary of State, Olympia, WA 98501.

**WEST VIRGINIA** — Request election ballot after September 8; must be registered by October 8. Write to the County Court Clerk.

**WISCONSIN** — Waives registration for servicemen. Address your FPCA to the City-Town Clerk, place of residence (in Milwaukee, to the Board of Election Commissioners). Voted ballot must reach election officials before closing of polls on election day.

**WYOMING** — Uses executed affidavit on the ballot-return envelope for registration. Address your FPCA to the County Clerk, county of residence, to arrive before October 23. Voted ballot must reach election officials at or before the opening of polls on election day.

## WHY? Why not? And if you don't—

- Don't talk about "rights;" you've blown one of the most important.
- Don't bother to think; unvoiced opinions accomplish nothing.
- Don't gripe about America, the President, Congress or any of their policies.
- Don't discuss politics like a pro. Face it, you're not even knowledgeable enough to fill out a ballot.
- Don't ever write your Congressman for help.
- Wear a button that says, "I don't give a damn."

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# Soldiers get teed off

Some 40 individuals teed off Wednesday as the Post Golf Tournament got underway. The two-day event, sponsored by the Sports Division at the Presidio Golf Club, covered 36 holes of play with competition in both Senior and Open Division. Winners will be announced in a later edition of the *Star Presidian*.

# Fall clinics are on

The 1972 Sixth US Army Fall Sports Clinics will be hosted here next week.

| The purpose of these clinics will be to provide instruction which will benefit and improve the intramural sports program. Furthermore, the clinics will assist local units desiring to better implement the REACH (Recreation, Endurance, Agility, Coordi- |              | nation, Health) program. These clinics are designed for officials, unit athletic and recreation personnel, and individual soldiers who want to learn the fundamentals of the sports. |                |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |              | Next week's schedule looks like this:                                                                                                                                                |                |
| SPORT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | DATE         | TIME                                                                                                                                                                                 | PLACE          |
| Bowling                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | September 19 | 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                  | Bowling Center |
| Football                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | September 19 | 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                  | Post Gym       |
| Basketball                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | September 20 | 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                  | Post Gym       |

# Karate chops to compete

The Presidio Karate School will hold a tournament next Sunday, September 24.

The event will be held in the Post Gym from 1 to 5 p.m. Other military installations in the Bay area will also compete. No admission charge for spectators.

# FOCUS ON SPORTS

## Chaplain's mightiest

The Sports Division Post Tennis Tournament ended last Wednesday.

| Spirited competition was evident in most matches. Captain (Chaplain) R. Johnson won the tournament, with Colonel D.S. |                  | Prescott and Captain M.P. Henning tying for second place. Here's the final run-down on that competition: |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| NAME                                                                                                                  | UNIT             | WON                                                                                                      | LOST |
| Capt. Johnson                                                                                                         | Chap Div         | 16                                                                                                       | 1    |
| Col. Prescott                                                                                                         | Asst C of S, 6A  | 15                                                                                                       | 2    |
| Capt. Henning                                                                                                         | 6A Med Lab       | 15                                                                                                       | 2    |
| Sp5 Fountain                                                                                                          | 6A Sp Trps       | 14                                                                                                       | 3    |
| Capt. Molter                                                                                                          | 6A Sp Trps       | 14                                                                                                       | 3    |
| Capt. Howell                                                                                                          | Adv Gp, 91st Div | 12                                                                                                       | 5    |
| Pvt. Schuchard                                                                                                        | 6A Med Lab       | 8                                                                                                        | 9    |
| Maj. Drenzek                                                                                                          | 6A IG Office     | 8                                                                                                        | 9    |
| Sp4 Dahlberg                                                                                                          | 170th MP Co      | 7                                                                                                        | 10   |
| PFC Menda                                                                                                             | 6A Sp Trps       | 6                                                                                                        | 11   |
| PFC McNaughton                                                                                                        | 170th MP Co      | 5                                                                                                        | 12   |
| 1stLt. Claiborne                                                                                                      | 115th MI Gp      | 4                                                                                                        | 13   |
| Maj. Clark                                                                                                            | 6A IG Office     | 4                                                                                                        | 13   |
| Sp4 Heithaus                                                                                                          | 6A Med Lab       | 3                                                                                                        | 14   |
| Sp4 Lee                                                                                                               | 6A Sp Trps       | 3                                                                                                        | 14   |
| 1stLt. Marvin                                                                                                         | 6A Sp Trps       | 0                                                                                                        | 17   |

## Get away to it all in September!

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fun

### Armed Services YMCA

166 The Embarcadero  
392-2191

17 — Outing for inner-city children. Leave "Y" at 9 a.m. Volunteer leaders still needed. Free supper, 6 p.m.  
19 — "How to Make Better Movies," 7:30 p.m.  
23 — Mt. Tamalpais Trail Maintenance Trip. Leave "Y" at 8:30 a.m.  
24 — "Politics '72," first in a series of speaker-raps on today's political scene, 7 p.m.  
27 — Co-ed volleyball followed by wiener roast, 6:30 p.m.  
Standing Events: Dances every Saturday, 9 p.m. Free suppers every Sunday at 6 p.m.

### Art

15 — Pre-Columbian exhibition of art opens, de Young Museum.  
21-24 — 26th Annual San Francisco Art Festival held in the Civic Center Plaza and open without charge from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. It's the West's largest outdoor art show.

### Books

People's Yellow Pages, a directory of free and cheap goods and services available in San Francisco and the Bay area. Definitely hip, listings range from Abortion to Zen. Send \$1.50 plus 25¢ for postage to Box 31291, San Francisco, CA 94131.  
Pier Diem, published by American Airlines, lists hotels and motels offering reduced rates to military members and government employees. Covers all 50 states and is available from local American Airline offices.

### Information

More Information — Call 391-2000 (San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau) for a daily report on special events and activities in and around the Bay area and 561-5480 (Presidio Service Club) for information on discounts and free admission to many local happenings.

### Movies

15 — The Culpepper Cattle Company (PG), Presidio Theater.  
16 — Snoopy Come Home starring Guess Who? (G), Presidio Theater.  
17 — Fuzz with Burt Reynolds and Raquel Welch (PG), Presidio Theater.  
18 — Fuzz, Presidio Theater. A Separate Peace (PG), Letterman Theater.  
19 — Move, Presidio Theater. Butterflies Are Free with Goldie Hawn (PG), Letterman Theater.  
20 — A Separate Peace, Presidio Theater. Angela Lansbury in Walt Disney's Bedknobs and

Broomsticks (G), Letterman Theater.  
21 — Butterflies Are Free, Presidio Theater.  
Chato's Land (PG), Letterman Theater.  
22 — The Dead Are Alive (R), Letterman Theater. Butterflies Are Free, Presidio Theater.  
23 — Bedknobs and Broomsticks, Presidio Theater.  
G — General Audiences. All ages admitted.  
PG — Parental Guidance. This film contains material which may not be suited for pre-teenagers.  
R — Restricted. Under 17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian.  
X — No One Under 17 Admitted.  
Basic Admission Charges. Adults (50¢) and children (25¢) unless otherwise specified.

### Music

15 — Opening night at the San Francisco Opera. The ten-week Golden Anniversary season presents the outstanding talents from the world of opera five times a week.  
17 — And every Sunday in September, band concerts in the outdoor rotunda of the Palace of Fine Arts, 2 p.m.

### NCO Club

15 — Western night with music by the California Cowboys, 8:30 p.m.  
16 and 17 — Chef's special at \$2.00  
20 — Record Hop, 8:30 p.m.  
22 — Country music by the Country Express, 8:30 p.m.  
Standing Events: Free coffee and rolls, every Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. Happy Hour at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. Each Thursday it's pinochle at 8 p.m.

### Officers' Club

15 — Dance to the music of the Natural Gas. Letterman Annex, 9 p.m.  
16 — Dinner-dance, 8:30 p.m. Music by Joe Brigandi; Main Club.  
20 — Hawaiian Luau and floor show; Main Club.  
27 — Square Dancing; Main Club.  
Standing Events: Happy Hour, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; Main Club, 4:15 p.m. Sunday breakfast or brunch, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Main Club. Happy Hour, 4:15 p.m., and Dotte del Prado at the piano bar, 5 p.m., both every Monday and Friday at the Letterman Annex. Happy Hour, every Tuesday and Thursday in the Log Cabin Annex, 4:15 p.m.  
Note: No more hot lunches at the Log Cabin Annex. Sandwiches served at the bar only.

### Service Club

16 — Talent show auditions, 4 p.m.  
17 — Picnic at Samuel P. Taylor Park, noon. Kinetic art films, 6 p.m.  
19 — Action League for POW/MIA's presentation, 8 p.m.  
23 — Talent Show, 8 p.m.  
24 — Picnic and boating at Del Valle, 10:30 a.m.

New voters meet, 8 p.m.  
26 — Free hay ride, 6:30 p.m.  
Other Events: Free buffets every Sunday, 6 p.m. Starting October 2 at 6:30 p.m., International Chess Grand Master, George Koltanowski, will be at the club to help servicemen and their dependents with their game.

### Special Events

16 and 17 — And every Saturday and Sunday through October 8, the 6th Annual Renaissance Pleasure Faire and Ha' Penny Market is a re-creation of the spirit, entertainment, crafts, foods, games, and pageantry of an Elizabethan Country Faire at harvest time. California craftsmen display and sell their wares from colorful rustic stalls, and many spectators attend in costume. The Faire site in Marin County is located in Oak Forest near Novato, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
17-25 — Civic Auditorium has scheduled Black Sabbath for the 17th, a Western Rock Show with The Birds and Doc Watson for the 24th, and Joe Cocker Rock Show for the 25th.

### Sports

17 — 49ers open their regular home season against San Diego, Candlestick Park, 1 p.m.  
23 — Wrestling in the Cow Palace, 8:30 p.m.  
Sportsdial — Call 478-9560 for the latest San Francisco and Oakland team scores and standings. Sportsdial is a public service of the San Francisco Examiner and KSFO radio.

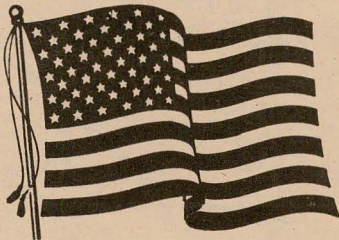
### Teen Club

15 — Birthday night for those born in September, 8 p.m.  
16 — Trip to Angel Island. Bus departs at 10:30 a.m. Bring lunch and 50¢.  
22 — Back to school dance, 8 p.m. Members only.  
23 — Dance at Ft. Ord. Bus leaves club at 5 p.m. Cost is \$1.50 per couple, \$1.00 per person. For paid members only, and parents' permission is a must.  
Note: Volunteers are still needed to help the Teen Club Director. Call ext. 2002 or 3637.

### USO

1017 Market Street  
621-0630

17 — Tour to the Sheriff's Posse Horse Show. Golden Gate Park, 1 p.m.  
23 — Discotheque dance featuring go-go girls, 8:30 p.m.  
26 — Free hayride with PSF Service Club. Will include barbeque and open air dance. Bus leaves USO at 7 p.m.  
Coming Events: Big Brother outing in Golden Gate Park with kids from Canon Kip Neighborhood House. September 30, noon. Sign up early to be a Big Brother.



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## 35 years later

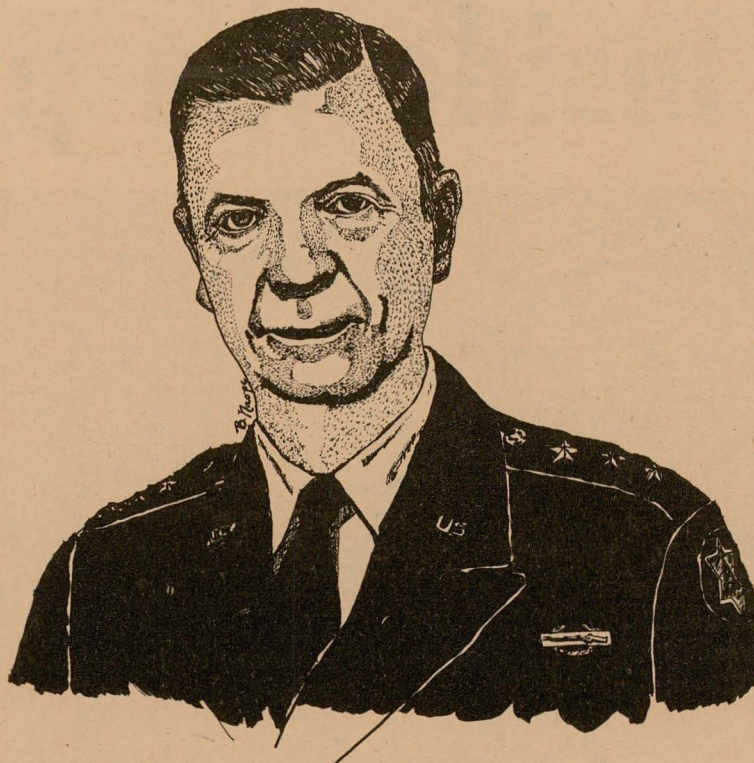
Lieutenant General Alexander D. Surles, Jr., Sixth U.S. Army Commander, will be honored today at a retreat ceremony upon his retirement after more than 35 years of distinguished military service.

The ceremony will include the presentation of the Distinguished Service Medal, the Army's highest medal for meritorious service, by General Ralph E. Haines, Jr., Commanding General, Continental Army Command, who will represent the Secretary of the Army and Chief of Staff of the Army at the event. Lt. Gen. Surles has been cited for "exceptionally meritorious service to the government in successive positions of great responsibility."

A 1937 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, Lt. Gen. Surles served in World War II as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, with the XVIII Airborne Corps, in the European Theater of Operations and, later, in the final stages of the war in the Pacific.

He commanded the 5th Regimental Combat Team in the Korean War and was awarded the Silver Star for heroism.

Postwar service has included assignments as Assistant Commandant of The Infantry School at Ft. Benning, Commanding General of the 4th Armored Division in Germany, Commanding General of the US Army Armor Center at Ft. Knox, Chief of Staff of the Continental Army Command, Ft. Monroe, and Chief of Staff, U.S. European Command, as well as other important command and staff positions in the United States, the Panama Canal Zone, Hawaii, Germany and Italy.



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## What if this man were your brother?

Who is the Prisoner of War or the young man who is Missing in Action?

Simply, he is the nation — an American fighting man or civilian dedicated to the principles which made us free.

Collectively, he is a man of many faces . . . the guy next door . . . the fellow across the country. He is near and he is far.

He is of many faiths and philosophies. He worships as a Catholic, Jew, Protestant, or maybe a Buddhist — or maybe he does not worship at all, in the formal sense of the word.

His home is the car-choked streets of New York from Park Avenue to Harlem, the wooded hills of Appalachia, the brown-white sands of Miami Beach or the sun-splashed shore of Malibu — every state and territory is his own.

The American POW or MIA is every creed and color. He is a black man, white man, red, brown or yellow. His education ranges from the elementary school dropout of the ghetto to the high school graduate from suburbia. He could have worn the black gown and mortarboard of a graduate from USC, Harvard, "Ole Miss," Notre Dame, Purdue, Air Force Academy, West Point or Annapolis.

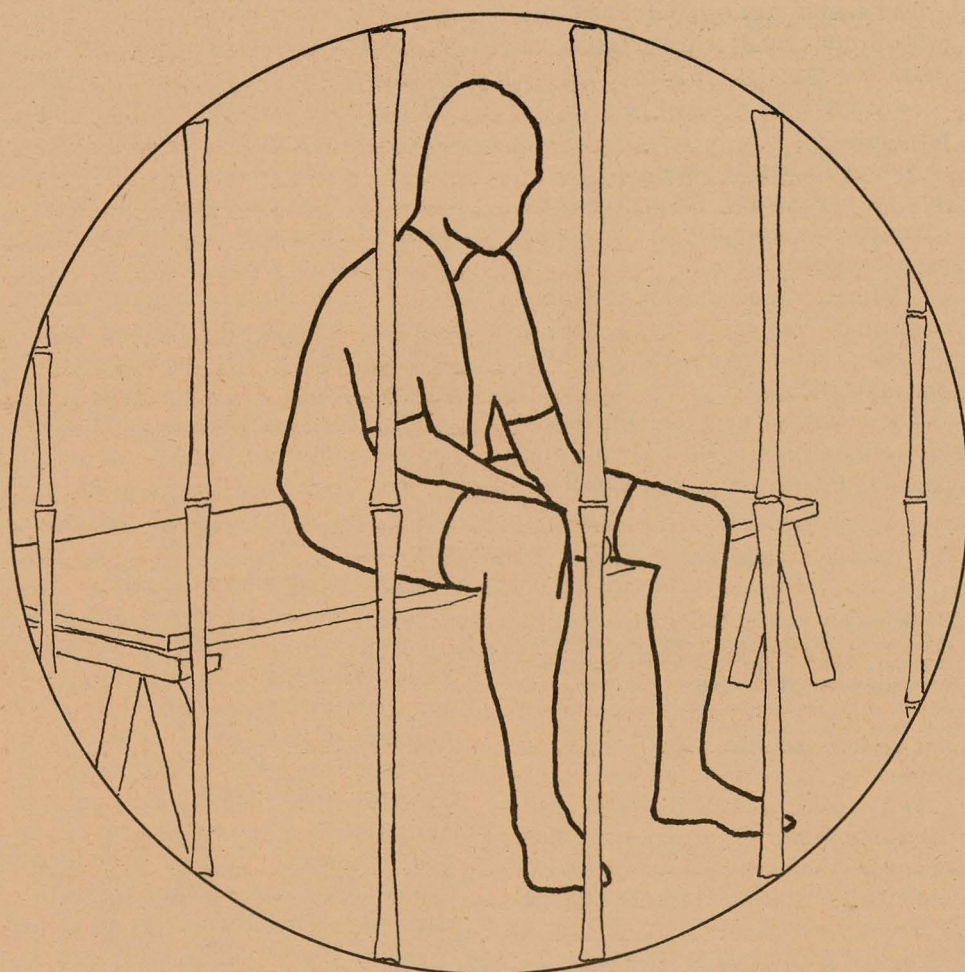
Back home his political philosophy may have been conservative or liberal. He may have voted Democratic, Republican or Independent — if indeed he was old enough to vote at all.

He is the son of a man who migrated from town to town picking grapes, or walked the halls of the Senate, or held a scalpel, or taught school. His father may have worn a badge, the eagle insignia of a colonel, gold stripes of an admiral, the chevrons of a sergeant, the blue suit of a banker — or the uniform of a serviceman now fighting in Southeast Asia.

He is the only son of a widowed

parent or the last of a dozen children. He has a family of his own or a girl who waits alone.

He is the teenager who left the drive-in hamburger stand for the rice paddy,



or a career soldier with 25 years of service. His average age is 29 years.

Before volunteering or being drafted, he clerked in banks and grocery stores, sat at office desks, pressed parts in a giant factory or picked cotton and tobacco.

Serving with distinction during World War II he knew later of Checkpoint Charlie. He waded ashore at Inchon, flew the Berlin Airlift, blockaded Cuba and advised in Thailand, Laos and the Republic of Vietnam. He has been in and out of prison camps in Germany, Japan or North Korea.

In Southeast Asia, he served aboard Navy patrol boats or carried a rifle as a Marine or Army infantryman. He flew helicopters, transport aircraft and fighters for the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. As one of the nearly 1,800 POWs or MIAs he was

### Shocking Statistics

American POW/MIAs in Southeast Asia as of late last month. Does not include civilians listed as captured or missing.

#### By country

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| North Vietnam | 878 |
| South Vietnam | 601 |
| Laos          | 294 |
| Cambodia      | 24  |
| China         | 7   |

#### By service

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Army         | 442 |
| Navy         | 284 |
| Air Force    | 918 |
| Marine Corps | 129 |

But, he continues to serve.

Despite deprivation and often inhumane treatment, he continues to serve — in solitary confinement, shackled, abused.

And, he keeps faith.

Refusing to participate in activities which might be harmful to his comrades, to himself or to the United States, he keeps his faith. Occasionally, but rarely, he returns to friendly lands and home.

He has won every combat decoration his country can bestow. He has been recommended for the Medal of Honor for extraordinary heroism. He has won the Air Force Cross, the Army Distinguished Service Cross, the Navy Cross, the Silver Star and Legion of Merit.

His uniform is decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart.

The POW/MIA represents distinguished service in the cause of freedom. His unparalleled contributions, achievements, sacrifices and decorations span an entire generation and encompass the broad spectrum of our free enterprise system.

He is America! (He is your brother!) — Major J. K. Kilbourne (USAF)

## Well, he is!



# Inside the prisons of Hanoi



## SUFFERING

North Vietnam became a party to the Geneva Convention governing the treatment of prisoners of war in 1957. Reports list the following treaty terms and violations:

— Prisoners will be humanely treated, protected; reprisal against them is prohibited.

Paraded in the streets, forced to make statements; some torture.

— Prisoners will not be held in conditions of close confinement.

The enemy has held some men in solitary confinement for years.

— Prisoner-of-war camps will be marked so as to be visible from the air and their location made public.

No markings on camps; locations concealed.

— Sufficient food must be given to prisoners.

All released prisoners have been found to be underweight and suffering from malnutrition.

— Adequate medical care.

There is much evidence of inadequate medical care (photos and those released); prisoners dying in camps.

— Regular religious services.

Only evidence in films of some Christmas services.

— Write to family within one week of capture.

Some have not written for five years.

— Prisoners will be permitted to send at least two letters and four cards a month.

The average has been two or three letters a year and none at all from some prisoners.

— Free receipt of parcels.

Prisoners can only receive a package every other month with restric-

tions to size and weight. Evidence indicates delivery is sporadic.

— The seriously sick or wounded will be repatriated or interned in a neutral country. Release of prisoners long held in captivity.

No regular release of sick, wounded, or long-held prisoners. State of health or duration of imprisonment has not been a determining factor in those releases which have taken place.

— Notification of deaths in captivity and full information on the circumstances and place of burial will be furnished.

The enemy has not furnished any information about circumstances of death and place of burial.

— Prisoners' names will be released promptly.

Names the enemy has released have not been disclosed through regular channels. No complete list has ever been disclosed.

— Neutral inspection of prisoner camps will be permitted, including interviews of the prisoners without witnesses in attendance.

The enemy has never permitted such inspections and has allowed only propaganda interviews to be conducted.

"Inside the Prisons of Hanoi" is a report on the shocking conditions within the prisoner-of-war camps of North Vietnam, and on the threat these conditions pose to the survival of hundreds of U.S. citizens. It has been drawn from lengthy interviews with some of the men who have been released, and from informed sources in Washington, Saigon and Paris.

The truck lurches forward with thrashing gears. On the rough truck bed, an American lies on his back, blindfolded, hands and feet bound. He



## DESOLATION

is jolted by each bump, jarred by thrusts of pain. Hearing clattering street noises and strident automobile horns, he knows they have entered Hanoi. Soon he will be prodded to his feet and led into one of North Vietnam's dread prisoner-of-war camps.

For almost two months, since his capture, the American has been herded from village to village. He is rarely fed. His captors double-time him, on foot, moving steadily northward. In each village, they tether or cage him like an animal so that villagers can file past to strike him or urinate on his body. He is constantly hungry; his weight drops steadily, and nausea and fever plague him.

Eventually, his captors transfer him to a small hut with 12 bamboo cages, force him onto his stomach, thrust his feet into wooden stocks and tie his arms behind his back with wet rope. For 29 days they keep him in this position, freeing him only long enough to gobble a daily bowl of rice and to relieve himself. His face is obscured by a scraggly beard, his eyes burn from sunken sockets. Then he is told that he is to be moved to Hanoi.

Now, three days later, a truck deposits him at the looming triangular mass of the "Hanoi Hilton," an old French penitentiary covering approximately a city block and surrounded by glass-studded concrete walls. Within, two separate sections are reserved exclusively for U.S. prisoners-of-war. As in other POW camps in North Vietnam, its tiny cells are cement-walled and heavily barred; bunks are either cement slabs or rough boards stretched across sawhorses. (There are two other prisons within the city, one called the "Zoo," the other the "Country Club.") The only other furnishing is a toilet bucket. Terrazzo-like floors slope away from a central corridor toward open drains where rats enter and leave. Doors are thick teak, with peepholes.

**Night Watch.** The misery and demoralization that American POWs experience in their subhuman environment can best be understood by looking at a typical prison day. Above the

prisoner's hard, narrow bunk, with its paper-thin straw mat, a bare bulb burns day and night. On the bunk he tosses and frets, searching vainly for a comfortable position for his calloused hips and thighs, relief for his pain-ridden body. He sleeps little, thinking daylight will never come, that the hated light bulb will never fade. There is no clock; the hours drag on.

Now it is winter, bringing the cold he detests and fears most. He has wadded a mosquito net around his frigid feet, wrapped one of his two flimsy blankets around the net, and covered his legs and torso as best he can with the other. He still wears his coarse pajama-like shirt and trousers. But the cold penetrates everything, numbing and taunting him. His empty stomach rumbles, and now he is shaking convulsively, uncontrollably.

He will have to get up. He swings his stiffened legs to the floor, stands with great effort, slaps at his skinny legs, wasted backside and bony chest. The flesh feels dead. Sometimes he hears the muffled movements of another prisoner also fighting the cold. In a nearby cell a man cries out, "Oh God. Oh, God!" He repeats the words to himself, only vaguely aware that the cry has nudged him into prayer.

How many hundreds of nights like this has he endured? He can no longer remember.

**Gongs and Judas Holes.** Finally daylight comes, and he watches the gray light filter slowly through the exposed portion of the small window far up the wall of his cell. He waits. He listens. He has learned to segment the days into sounds. The first one, at 5:30 a.m., is the harsh, reverberating jangle of the "gong," a metal ring periodically assaulted by a metal rod. It echoes and re-echoes. And as it fades, he strains to hear the bolt being withdrawn on a distant door. He knows the guard is starting along the cells, slapping open the "Judas Hole" in each door to make certain the man inside is on his feet. Stiffly, the prisoner rises and begins to fold his "bedding." The sounds of the opening and closing of the peepholes come steadily closer

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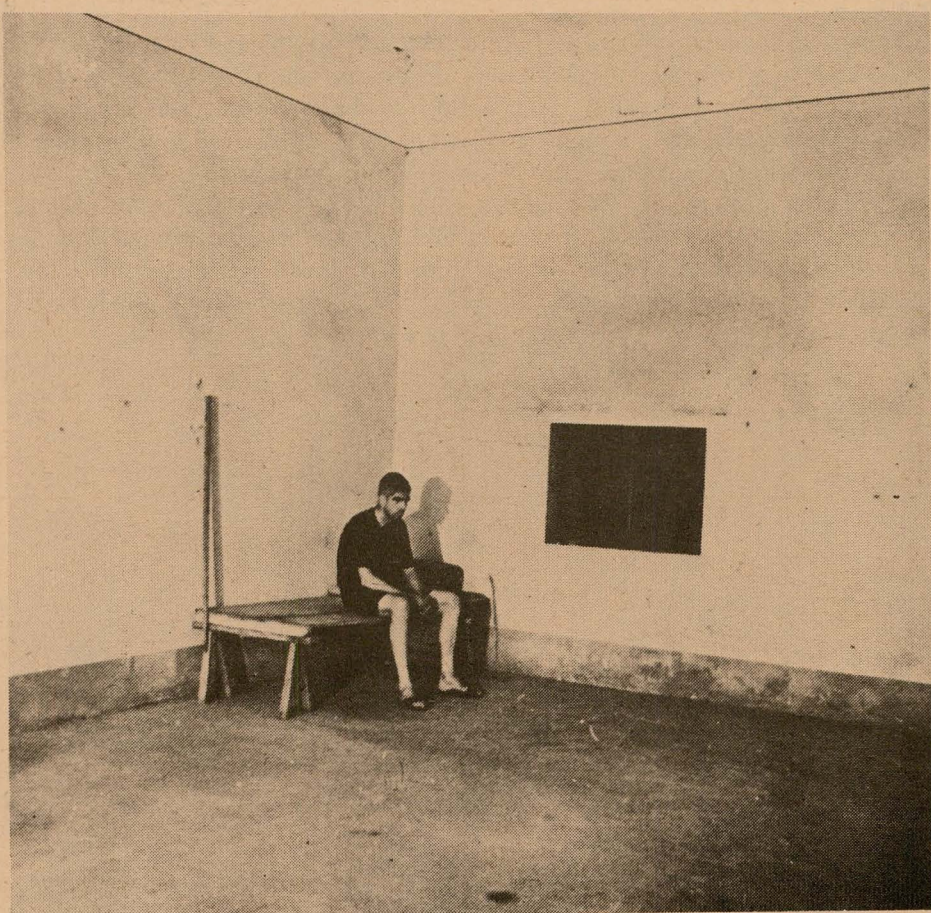
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# POWs never have a nice day



ISOLATION

until the guard peers into his own cell and passes on.

A loudspeaker over the door squawks to life. The voice of Hanoi Hannah enters his cell, seeking to "re-educate" him about the war. She tells him that the United States is suffering disastrous defeat, and that the American people couldn't care less. She frequently quotes American critics of the war. Her flow of bad "news" is salted with reports on riots and racial problems in the States. The half-hour monologue drones on like a funeral dirge. Then the loudspeaker dies. But he knows Hannah will be back in the evening with more cheerless news. She visits him twice a day, every day.

Now he hears the guard taking one of the men outside to empty his toilet bucket; the man is then returned and locked back up. He listens to a repetition of the same sounds, slowly passing from cell to cell. Soon, he too is taken out to the cesspool and then brought back to await the next event. If it is a washday, he will be allowed to wash. For him, this is the week's highlight. But he must await his turn. Precautions are always taken to prevent him from seeing or talking with other prisoners.

He is taken into one of several cubicles, each with a small tub of icy water. The guard locks the door. In the five minutes allotted him, he quickly strips, braces himself and begins sloshing the freezing water onto his body. If there is soap, he lathers and scrubs his skin. But, he must rinse thoroughly, for he knows that any trace of the abrasive, lye-like soap will produce a painful rash. He dresses rapidly and rinses his other suit of "pajamas." The guard returns and marches him back to his cell, allowing him to hang his laundry alongside the dripping clothing of other prisoners.

It is almost noon, time to be fed. He never thinks of the bread and watery soup (pumpkin or squash) as food. But he relishes the thought of having something — anything — in his stomach.

As the food is dispensed, each cell door is unlocked and locked in the familiar pattern. When the guard

opens the door, the prisoner reaches down for the bowl and bread placed on the threshold. Anything he is given is placed on the floor so that he must always bend down in front of his captor. In appearance, if not in spirit, he must always display humility. (He wryly remembers the staggering blow from the rifle butt when he once, "disrespectfully," crossed his legs in the presence of an interrogating officer.) As he rises with the food, he must come to attention. And so he stands as the guard shuts the door.

Then he eats, forcing himself to chew the bread with great care, watchful for the small stones sometimes imbedded in the dough. He has disciplined himself to eat every crumb, every drop. With the last of the bread, he mops the bowl.

He waits again. Soon another "gong" sounds, instructing him to lie down. The room is still cold, but his shrunken stomach is temporarily pacified. Now, more often than not, he is finally able to doze. But the fitful sleep ends abruptly, torn apart by another gong. It is two o'clock. For the next seven hours he can only pace or sit. He is not permitted to lie on his bunk again until 9 p.m. Periodically, unexpectedly, a guard slams open the Judas Hole to check.

**Body and Soul.** As the prisoner paces, he gropes for something to occupy his thoughts. He has recited the names of the states forward and backward, the names of all the U.S. Presidents he can remember. He has built boats and houses in his mind, gone on imaginary walking tours, retraced most of the memorable events of his life, the plots of books and movies. But the monotony of these efforts has made it increasingly difficult to concentrate. His thoughts skitter away to questions he would prefer to avoid, to a maze of anxieties.

He thinks about the war. Can Hanoi Hannah be right? Has America given in to defeatist views? If so, what will happen to him? He worries about his health. He is half-starved, ridden with tiny things that crawl in his stomach. He has grown steadily weaker.



DEGRADATION

The question he dreads most, and that now recurs with frightening frequency, is: Can I last? And what about my family? Will my wife wait forever? Is she well? Will the children remember me? How do they manage without a father? Sadness overwhelms him.

Occasionally he gets a letter, but this is a recent development. And the six-line note that is permitted can never answer the hundreds of questions that roam his mind. Still, other prisoners have received nothing, so he must be considered fortunate.

At 4:30 he is fed the same food he received earlier, the same that he will also get twice tomorrow, and the next day and the next. There is no meat, nothing green, nothing sweet — always the same tasteless soup and bread. After this second feeding, he will wait 18 hours to be fed again.

It is dark now, and at 8:30 Hanoi Hannah is back. She stays until 9, and as the loudspeaker clicks off, the last "gong" rings out. He must crawl back onto his bunk to face the cold, and his lonely thoughts, until morning. He pleads with his body and soul for strength to survive yet another night under the light bulb.

**Shattered Rules.** How long this man and his fellow captives can last is anyone's guess. But their lives are more gravely threatened with each passing day. Some of the POWs have already died. (North Vietnam has told U.S. anti-war groups and Senators that 23 prisoners have died. But the lists cannot be regarded as completely accurate: all of the deaths were reported long after they supposedly occurred, and after a number of the men had been held captive up to five years.) Others face almost certain death unless their treatment is drastically improved. One careful study of available information, compiled by Lt. Col. Joseph R. Cataldo, a doctor with the Green Berets, indicates that the POWs not only are severely malnourished, but that 80 percent have skin diseases, at least half suffer from intestinal worms, a quarter may have active tuberculosis, and many are afflicted with serious vitamin deficiencies, men-

tal disorientation and muscular wastage.

Hanoi also has weakened men by systematic torture. Prisoners have been denied food or water for long periods, suspended from ceilings by their arms, burned with cigarettes, clubbed with rifle butts and physically beaten. (At least one had his fingernails ripped from his hands. The broken bones of another, set by communist doctors and still in a cast, were rebroken by guards.) In numerous cases, their captors have refused them adequate medical care, and have neglected to attend to major injuries.

Small wonder, then, that North Vietnam forbids inspection of the camps by the International Red Cross — in direct violation of the Geneva Conventions. Instead, "showcase" prisoners are paraded in propaganda films. When anti-war groups or friendly foreign journalists are selected to talk with or film small groups of prisoners, only the healthiest men, barbered and freshly clothed, are trotted into public view to parrot carefully rehearsed information. What the public never sees are the hidden cells, the men on crutches, those with deformities, the badly emaciated, the sick in bed. The Geneva Conventions require repatriation of the sick and wounded, as well as the release or transfer to a neutral nation of men whose long confinement jeopardizes their health. Yet Hanoi, which is a signatory to the Conventions, has ignored these rules as they apply to the 878 captured and missing in North Vietnam. And the enemy has made no effort to persuade the Vietcong and communist forces of South Vietnam and Laos even to identify the more than 800 other Americans captured or missing in these areas.

For the prisoners, meanwhile, years pile on lonely years. The first men captured are nearing their eighth year in captivity.

Unless help is forthcoming, these men will continue to rot and die.

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# Action League for action

"Going out of business" is the prime objective of one group of Presidio women. They would like to close their doors and cease to exist, forever.

In response to the question, "What can I do to help those captured or missing in Southeast Asia?" the Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs was formed.

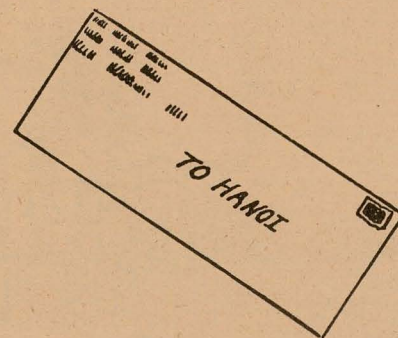
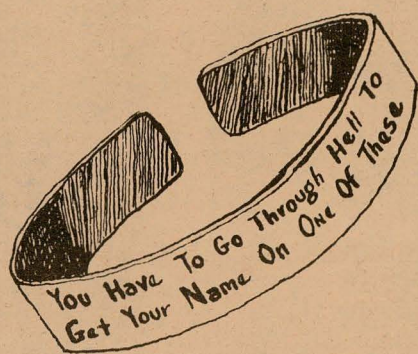
In June, the group was recognized by the Presidio's commanding officer, and in July became sponsored by Army Community Service as the POW/MIA Committee. The group, staffed by 20 volunteers, is nonprofit and nonpolitical. Army Community Service Advisor is Major Janice Jump; advisor from the National League of Families of Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia is Mrs. James Evans.

From a small office on loan from ACS, the volunteers distribute literature

on POW/MIAs, answer mail and telephone inquiries, and sell POW/MIA bracelets.

The group sponsors coffees, sets up information booths and displays at various events, and furnishes speakers and information on request. It also maintains close contact with other groups nationwide and with Bay area families of POW/MIAs. Letter and petition-signing campaigns are planned in the future.

More help is always needed to promote public awareness of POW/MIAs. The volunteers can reach only a limited number of people, and more assistance is needed for future activities. Volunteer meetings are held the second Thursday of each month and are open to all. For information, call ext. 4880 from 9 a.m. to noon; after duty hours, call ext. 7722. Your help will help the Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs go out of business.



Below are some of the most frequently asked questions on POW/MIAs, directed to the Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs. If the answer to your question isn't here, please call ext. 4880 for more information.

**I recently paid \$2 for a POW/MIA bracelet. Where does my \$2 go?**

One dollar of the money goes to Concern for Prisoners of War, Inc., to cover the costs of producing the bracelet and running their office. The other dollar goes to the Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs to cover postage, phone bills, and various expenses. Any surplus funds from either group are turned over to the National League of Families to support their scholarship fund and various activities. Both groups are nonprofit, so your \$2 goes strictly to aid POW/MIAs.

**Is there more than one bracelet with the same man's name?**

Yes. Bracelets are produced in lots of several hundred at a time, and distributed nationwide.

**Can I write to "my" POW/MIA's family, to tell them I am wearing his bracelet?**

Yes. Mail to the families may be addressed to them in care of Concern, and it will be forwarded unopened.

**Can I obtain information on a specific POW or MIA from your office?**

We have a very limited amount of information on file about various POWs. Most of this information is in the form of magazine and newspaper articles. You are welcome to look through them. Biographies are given with every POW/MIA bracelet we distribute.

**Is there any book I could read to give me a good understanding of the POW/MIA situation?**

Major James Rowe, who was a POW for five years before he escaped, has written a book called *Five Years to Freedom*, which is available in the Main Post Library.

**Three POWs have been released by North Vietnam, and are reported to be in good health. Isn't their release a good sign?**

All three men are uninjured, young, and have been held relatively short periods of time — therefore, they will

"look good." All Americans should be pleased that these three men are no longer held as POWs. But what about the rest? If North Vietnam continues to release prisoners at the rate set over the last few years, it will take 400 years for all Americans to be released.

**But the released POWs seem to have received fairly good treatment during their captivity. Doesn't this indicate that the POW camps may not be as bad as we once believed?**

As a POW wife once said, "There are prison camps and prison camps." "Show" prisoners in the infamous "Hanoi Hilton" seem to be treated fairly well, at least for visits from journalists and dignitaries. But no one besides the communists knows the conditions (or even the locations) of other prisoner camps. There are prisoners in South Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia and China about whom we know nothing. The "Seven Point Peace Proposal" which I've heard about on TV — doesn't it cover the release of all American prisoners?

Absolutely not! Close attention to the proposal in its entirety tells us that it covers the release of "American pilots" being detained in North Vietnam. This could still leave behind navigators, ground troops — everyone who is not a pilot. Again, we must not forget that there are prisoners in other countries besides North Vietnam. **Hanoi claims to have published a complete list of prisoners held. What makes you think there are men whose names are not listed?**

Discrepancies have appeared again and again in this so-called "complete" list. Men who have been missing in action for as long as two years have suddenly been listed as prisoners. Others have disappeared from Hanoi's list, and now the communists claim to have never held them. In our office is a detailed article on 14 cases — men who the communists claimed at one time were prisoners, and now say "never held."

**Why should the communists refuse to list all prisoners? What does it gain them?**

This is a major bargaining point for them, as well as a tremendous psychological advantage over both the prisoners and their families.

**I have read that various prisoners have**

**made anti-war and/or anti-American statements. Why would they do this?**

Whether these statements are an expression of personal preference or of psychological indoctrination, nobody knows for sure. Many family members believe that anti-war statements are the prisoners' only means of delivering a message to their families. The words they are speaking are not the real message. That message is, "I am a prisoner. I am still alive. Don't worry."

**Speaking of the families, do the wives of POW/MIAs cease to receive service benefits when their sponsors are listed as missing or captured?**

No. All benefits continue for family members, as does the allotment in effect at the time. POW/MIAs are considered for promotion at the same time as others with similar time in grade. **But some of these men have been prisoners for over eight years. That sounds like an awfully big adjustment will have to be made when they do eventually return. How will they manage this adjustment?**

A study now under way is considering ways that the service member and his family will have to re-adjust. The results of this program, sponsored jointly by the services, will be used to aid the men and their families.

**The Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs claims to be nonpolitical. Aren't POWs currently a hot political issue?**

POW/MIAs are indeed a current political issue, and many people as individuals have made statements on them. (There were delegates to both the Republican and Democratic National Conventions who were family members.) However, the Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs regards the treatment of POWs and the accounting of the missing as a strictly humanitarian issue. As the National League of Families has stated: "We are not on anyone's bandwagon. We need everyone on ours."

**You refer often to the National League of Families. Who and what is this organization?**

The National League of Families of Prisoners of War and Missing in Southeast Asia was established in 1969. The primary concerns of the League are to secure humane treatment for POWs, to stimulate world

concern, and to improve dissemination of information to the families, press, and government agencies. To be a member of the National League of Families, a member of your family must be missing or prisoner in North Vietnam, South Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, or China.

**Where does the Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs receive its information?**

Our information comes from Concern, from VIVA, from the National League of Families, and from Department of Defense figures. We also keep files on clippings from local and national media.

**Can I join Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs?**

Definitely! Drop by the office from 9 a.m. to noon during the week and fill out a volunteer form. You can work from home, in the office, or at various information booths planned for the future.

**When does Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs meet?**

At 10 a.m. the second Thursday of every month. This month's meeting will be held in Bldg. 200 (ACS lounge). Anyone interested in helping and learning more is welcome to attend.

**I would like to help, but have a very limited amount of time. What can I do "on my own?"**

Write letters. Samples and addresses are available in our office. One of the Presidio Action League's most critical projects is keeping the POW/MIA problem before the public, the press, and foreign diplomats.

**I will be leaving the Presidio soon, but would still like to help. How do I find out about similar groups in other locations?**

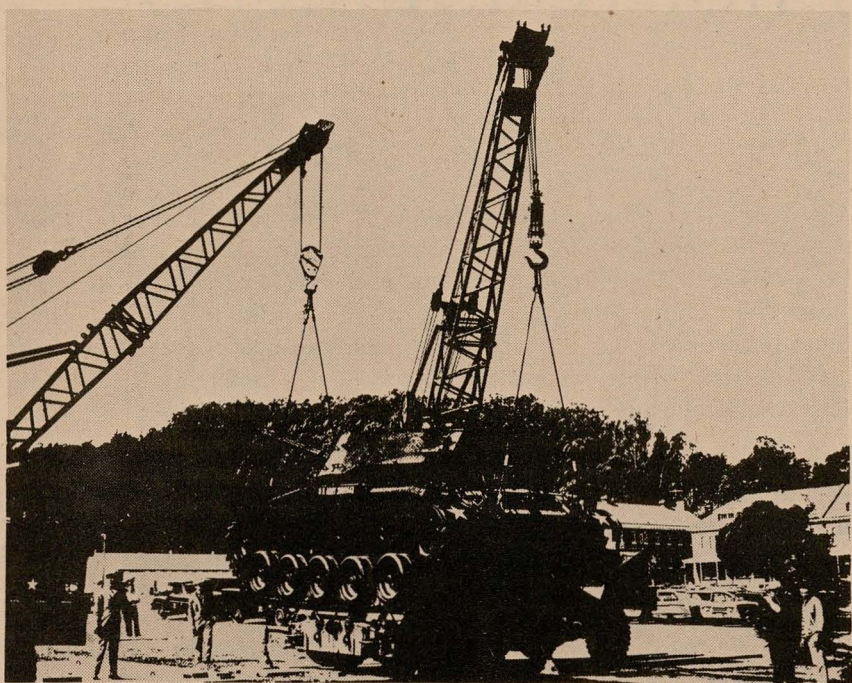
Addresses of POW/MIA support groups all over the country are available in our office.

**Sometimes I hear your group referred to as "Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs;" at other times as the "POW/MIA Committee." Is this two different groups?**

No. Presidio Action League for POW/MIAs is the name under which the group chose to work before becoming sponsored by Army Community Service. Coming under Army Community Service as a group, it is known as the POW/MIA Committee.

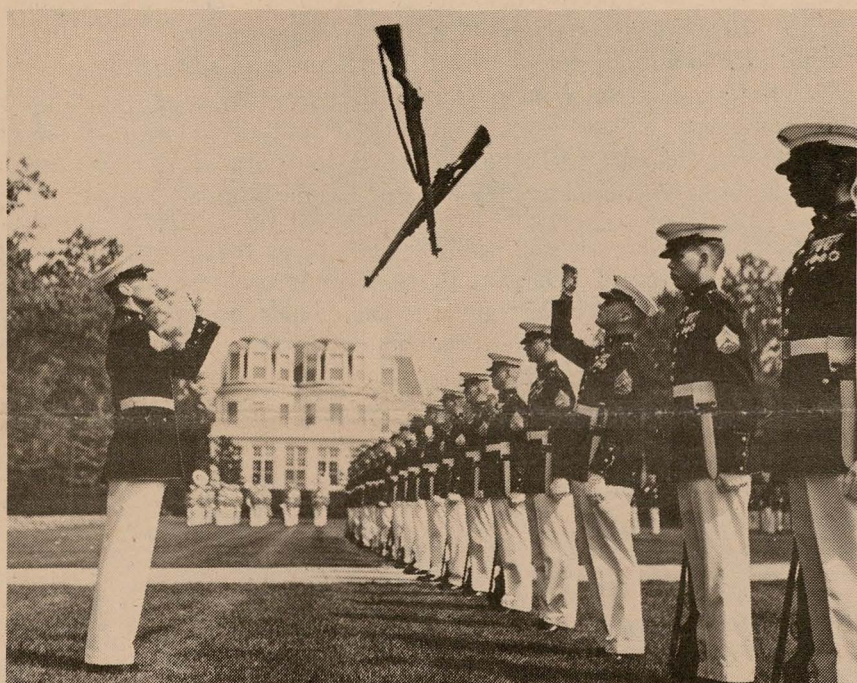


## Latest landmark



Cranes swing the Presidio's newest landmark, M41 tank, to its final resting place across from the Sixth Army Headquarters building. The 25-ton vehicle, minus all usable parts, was obtained for display on post by Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr., commanding officer, PSF, from the Army Material Command. It's dedicated to serve as a memorial to those officers and enlisted men of the San Francisco Bay area who served in Armor. (U.S. Army Photo by PFC D. White.)

## Marines land



Members of the Marine Corps Silent Drill Team perform a double behind-the-back rifle throwback. On Monday at 3 p.m., they'll join with the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps for a special performance on the Pershing Square parking lot. (Marine Corps Photo.)

## Two-thirds not land



Are you enthused by Jacques Cousteau spectacles? Does the thought of abalone and lobster make your mouth water? Ever want to explore the other two-thirds of the earth's surface (that part which is under the ocean)? The post scuba club, the Conquistadores del Mar, might just be your bag. (STORY AND MORE ON INSIDE)

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## — Quickies —

### More bucks

Unofficial word coming from Federal employee groups in Washington indicates a 5.14 percent pay raise for civilians and a 6.67 percent increase for military this January. The exact amount of the raise will not be known until the President reviews the recommendations of his special pay committee later this week.

### Death boost

A new Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) has replaced the Retired Servicemen's Family Protection Plan (RSFPP). The SBP provides a fairer level of income replacement for survivors of retired military personnel. Survivor annuity will be as much as 55 percent of retired pay. Servicemen can enter the program as soon as they retire. Present retirees must apply for SBP within a year after the plan goes into effect. The full amount of the annuity is automatic to the dependents of any servicemen.

### Keyman collects

The Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) started September 20 and ends November 1. CFC gifts will be distributed to the National Health and Welfare Agencies, International Service Agencies, and over 75 percent will go to the United Crusade Agencies in the Bay area. All individuals will be contacted by their "keyman" for donations. How much to give is strictly a personal decision. To meet the needs of services supported commanders endorse **Fair Share** (1½ percent of gross income a month). Donations can be by cash or payroll deduction. A CFC award will be presented to the employees of an organization for overall campaign performance.

### Photo powwow

The 15th Annual Flying Short Course for photojournalists will be held Saturday, October 28. Beginning at 8:30 a.m., the Airport Marina Hotel (1380 Bayshore Boulevard, Burlingame, CA) is the site for the course. This course is sponsored by the National Press Photographers Association (NPPA) in cooperation with the Department of Defense.

Many technical problems plague photojournalists, and practical techniques will be dealt with by the speakers. There is no charge for military members, but advance registration should be sent to your local NPPA chairman — Bill Wittich, 19352 Willowbrook, Yorba Linda, California 92686.

### Patriotism pays

Active duty soldiers, Reserves, National Guardsmen, and ROTC cadets can win \$1,000 in this year's Freedom Foundation Letter Awards Program. Just write a 100 to 500 word letter expressing your thoughts on the subject, "Freedom Has A Price." Literary talent doesn't make any difference; thoughts which enhance appreciation of our Nation's heritage are what counts. Full name, rank, social security number, military address, and home address must be sent with all entries to: Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania 19481. The deadline for submitting entries is November 1, 1972.

Over two hundred cash awards will be presented early next year. Two top awards of \$1,000 each will be given to an active duty and reserve member. Winners will be invited for a luncheon with their members of Congress and to meet their service leaders in Washington, D.C.

### Stop sirens

Even though Fire Prevention Week draws to an end every citizen should continue to be conscious of ways he can eliminate fires. Every hour fire destroys or damages 67 American homes. Every hour and twenty minutes one person dies in a dwelling fire. These figures are the result of one's failure to correct fire hazards. The causes of most home fires are: A discarded cigarette is left to smoulder in an overstuffed chair; flammable liquids are improperly used; electrical circuits are over-fused; and rubbish becomes a breeding place for fire. The causes of most fire deaths in homes are: Smoking in bed; leaving children alone; and neglecting to teach youngsters that matches are not play-things. A critical failure is being unprepared for fire emergencies in the home. Fire Prevention Week has been a time to recognize that fires represent failure and that one must act to remove hazards. Actions and attitudes can make one and his family safe from the tragic consequence of fires in the months ahead.

### WAC wants

With the rapid expansion of the Women's Army Corps it has been necessary to double the capacity of the WAC Training Center at Ft. McClellan and its personnel requirements. Department of Army is providing as many qualified women as possible, but they won't be able to supply all that are needed. Many outstanding graduates will be returned to the Center after advanced individual training, for duty as assistant drill sergeants. However, there is still going to be a shortage. Drill sergeants are in the greatest demand. Promotion and prestige can be yours. Contact your unit personnel officer for more information.



# Being handicapped is not a handicap



Frieda Dickerson (r), gives instructions to (l-r) Maria Bravo, Jane Marquez and Mary Bonner — in sign language. (U.S. Army Photo by Sp5 Byron Close)

By SSG Roland M. Taylor

The observance of National Handicapped Employees Week, last week, had a special significance in at least one office on the Presidio. The word handicap is defined as a disadvantage that makes achievement unusually difficult, but the Procurement Division's Administrative Services Branch takes issue with that definition. Jane Marquez and Mary Bonner have been employed there for the past nine months, and Maria Bravo for the past seven months, as IBM machine operators. All are deaf mutes.

Employing deaf mutes is not a new policy for the Army, but this is the first time sign language has been used for communication here. The girls have taught the skill to some of their fellow workers, and the results have been amazing. Their immediate supervisor, Apple Joy remarked, "The girls are simply marvelous! You don't know how much we appreciate them. There was a tremendous backlog of work when they came. We were running two shifts, day and night, to get caught up. The girls knew the right questions to ask, what to look for and they take great pride in their work. I hope we never lose them."

The division supervisor, Lydia Petty said, "They are just remarkable! The best we've ever had. I don't think we've ever had any other girls like them."

Both Jane and Mary are married, and each has two boys. All three of the girls drive their automobiles to and from work. Desiring to live as much a normal life as possible and contribute meaningfully to society, they each make one demand of their employers and co-workers — no preferential treatment. All hold permanent positions with Civil Service.

A co-worker of the three attractive young ladies, Frieda Dickerson, who has been adopted as their "Big Sister," says this about the girls: "I enjoy this work and I love working with the girls. They were quicker to pick up the office routine and operation of the equipment than others. Each one works tremendously well."

The girls started working here last September. Vicki Clark, vocational assistant for the Oakland Department of Rehabilitation was instrumental in placing Jane and Mary with the government. Dick Wright, counselor with the San Francisco branch, secured a position for Maria.

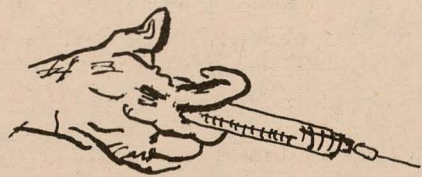
Wright's counterpart in the Oakland office, Douglas King, said, "One of the questions most frequently asked by civilian employers is, how in the world can we be expected to hire or work with persons who are deaf, if we can't communicate with them?" He went on to say, "We find that the Presidio has been more understanding than private industry, in this area. As you may or may not know, language is learned mostly by hearing 90 percent of words, rather than reading them. Mary and Jane have been deaf since birth or shortly after and were never able to acquire a language as others. Therefore, any attempt of theirs to pass written examinations had not been successful. The Army has taken the lead in waiving certain portions of exams and putting those who are handicapped in on special appointments and see how they work out in terms of job performance. This policy has worked out beautifully." Two of the women had previous experience with IBM machines and office work. They had enrolled in a business college and did just as well as the non-handicapped.

Mary and Jane were welfare recipients at the time they sought help in getting employment from the Oakland office. They were disgusted with the idea of being dependents of the state and felt they could become competent wage earners and contribute to society at the same time. Their employment here has given them the chance to do both.

## Granny Hipsh@t

(things your grandmother never told you)

Granny's back after a long absence. If you have any questions or thoughts about drugs or alcohol, bring them to her attention, c/o the STAR PRESIDIAN — Ed.



**DEAR HIPSHOT (whoever you really are):** How come people are so busy trying to make us believe that aspirin is as bad as heroin? I was at a mandatory class, and some guy was trying to say it's as bad to use beer or aspirin as it is to be a junkie! How come everybody's trying to mother the junkie and say it's society's fault! Sure, he might have problems, but that's no excuse for robbing, killing, and being a criminal! Let's face it, beer is legal and pot's not! If a guy breaks the law, he should face the consequences.

SIGNED ANONYMOUS

**FOR A (whoever you really are):** You have an important point saying a person's problems are no excuse for criminal behavior. I couldn't agree more. I don't know what went on in your class, but I doubt that your teacher was saying aspirin and heroin are the same. Obviously, there are major differences. But it is also true that we depend on medicine to solve a lot of our problems. When talking about chemical abuse, it doesn't really matter what drug the person takes. What's most important is how and why the person takes it. Did you know that there are 20 times as many people addicted to alcohol (beer included) as heroin? And in terms of crime, the National Council on Alcoholism has shown that more than 80 per cent of misdemeanors and felonies are alcohol related. So I am curious as to why we talk so much about heroin and other hard drugs when there are so many people hurting on a legal drug. Thanks for taking the time to share your feelings. (P.S., Just call me Granny!)

**DEAR GRANNY HIPSHOT:** I've been trying to get a friend of mine stoned on grass for a couple of months now. He can smoke two joints and claims that he doesn't feel anything. Is he putting me on?

FROM SMOKEY

**TO SMOKEY:** He could be putting you on (different strokes for different folks). There's no set dosage to determine when you're high, and it's a lot easier if you want to — right? Maybe he's suppressing his high because he's afraid of what might happen.



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Club president, Bob Youngman (center), talks dive strategy with club members before they head for the bottom of Folsom Lake.



A diver makes an eerie figure as he drifts by in the murky depths of Folsom Lake. Underwater photography is an additional hobby for many club divers.

## This club might meet 20,000 leagues below the sea

The post diving club, the Conquistadores del Mar, offers skin and scuba diving instruction, national accreditation, and a great deal of just plain fun and excitement.

Though the club was only a dream of one man 11 months ago, its first training program, conducted jointly with Letterman General Hospital, has graduated one class of certified skin and scuba divers, and another class is currently in progress. The classes which have been held up until now have been open only to Letterman personnel, because of funding problems. However, the club only needs sufficient people to sign up in order to begin another class in November for all members of the Presidio community.

The club is the creation of Captain Ron Orr, 32, aide-de-camp to Major General R.B. Smith, deputy commanding general of Reserve Forces here. (See related story.)

Prior to Ron's arrival, there had never been a recognized diving club on the Presidio. Using experience he gained by founding diving clubs twice before, he began work to obtain the facilities and equipment necessary to create one here.

"A few years back an Army major who was attempting to found a scuba club here was unfortunately drowned in an accident completely unrelated to scuba diving" Ron commented, "but that left a bad taste in peoples' mouths with regard to diving, anyway." One of the captain's aims is to decrease the likelihood of diving accidents by insuring that those who want to dive receive complete training.



The Conquistadores del Mar offers National Association of Underwater Instructors (NAUI) certification. Trainees can qualify in a number of grades of proficiency, from scuba diver, through certified scuba diver to advanced scuba and instructor.

Anyone with an interest in diving may join the club. At the present time a majority of the club members are uncertified and act as tenders or observers during diving expeditions. This helps them get an idea of what the sport is all about.

Divers who wish to join the club as participating divers and who hold other accreditation, such as PADI, YMCA,

or NASDS, may do so.

The club facilities, which are located in building 69 near the post gym, are currently limited to classes of 12.

Equipment is a problem for the club. It maintains sets of reference books and rubber gear for its students during courses, but is still in need of additional scuba gear. In order to raise funds for this necessity, the club is considering charging for its courses. "The idea," says Ron, "is to enable the students to go through the course with a minimum outlay of funds." Currently, plans call for a certification-course cost of \$30. In addition to his certification, the student would receive a \$10 club membership, a pair of professional quality fins, and a safety vest for this fee. Comparative courses taught by civilian instructors can cost more than \$100 in the Bay area, and many do not provide the student with gear. A complete set of gear can run as high as \$300.



The club does own a 15-man rubber life raft and a 16-foot Boston Whaler which they use for dive boats. The whaler, a veteran of several years with the Oakland Marine Biology Institute and one South American archaeological expedition, is, however, in need of some minor repairs.

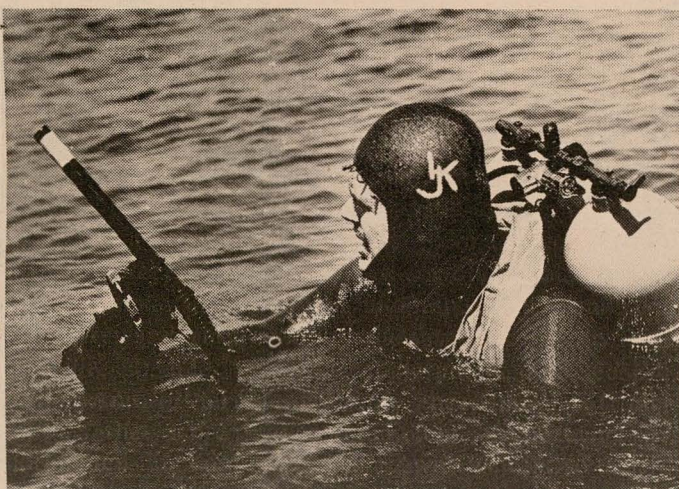
The plan is to outfit the boat as a search and rescue craft, responsive to the Presidio and Bay area communities, for use when trained divers are needed. A resuscitator and first aid equipment have been obtained and will be made a permanent part of the boat's equipment. Other gear is being accumulated, slowly but surely.

The club's chief purpose is to introduce members of the Presidio community to diving in an atmosphere of safety and convenience while they are stationed here, near some of the best diving areas in the world. Capt. Orr said that the club's biggest problem now is just getting the word out to divers and would-be divers. "We need people to come in and help out. There's lots of work, but in diving the work itself can be fun."

The club meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month upstairs in the rear wing of building 69. Additional information about the Conquistadores del Mar is available from the club president, Bob Youngman at ext. 2483 and Mike Williams, ext. 2744 or 668-1361.



KELP, KELP! Scuba club member, Hans Klossner, comes ashore after a bout of abalone diving in the cold, kelpy Pacific.



Hans Klossner surfaces after a dive with a "set of doubles." Bottom time on dives is limited by decompression and air supply factors.

### Presidio profile

## World diver

The founder, organizer and past president of the Presidio dive club, the Conquistadores del Mar, is Captain Ron Orr, a veteran of 12 years of diving all over the world. During the day, and many nights and weekends, Ron works as aide-de-camp to Major General R.B. Smith, deputy commanding general, Reserve Forces. When he gets the time, as often as not, he dives or teaches others to dive.

Ron began his diving in 1960 at Lake Tahoe near his Nevada home. A month after his first dive, he and a friend salvaged a sunken boat from the lake and with the \$300 he earned from this venture, he bought his first set of diving gear.

That beginning has led him through a diving avocation which has enabled him to explore waters from Cape Hatteras to the South China Sea.

Although he has never had any formal swimming instruction himself, Ron has been certified as a YMCA scuba instructor since 1968, and passed his examinations for NAUI scuba instructor certification this past October.

Ron is highly experienced in both fresh and salt water diving. While stationed on the East Coast, he explored Atlantic waters from Virginia to the Florida Keys, and also engaged in spring and cave diving in Florida.

During five tours in the Far East, the young captain dived the South China Sea off Vietnam and some of the island areas of Micronesia. While assigned to Okinawa, he dived the Ryukyus archipelago.

His extreme interest in introducing others to the excitement and richness of the sport led him to organize diving clubs in Vietnam and Okinawa, both of which are still active.

When he arrived at the Presidio eleven months ago and found there was no post scuba club, he immediately began work to create one.

"The biggest problem I faced," he said, "was finding someplace we could use as a clubhouse and training facility." After much effort and research, he found that part of building 69 was ideal and available.

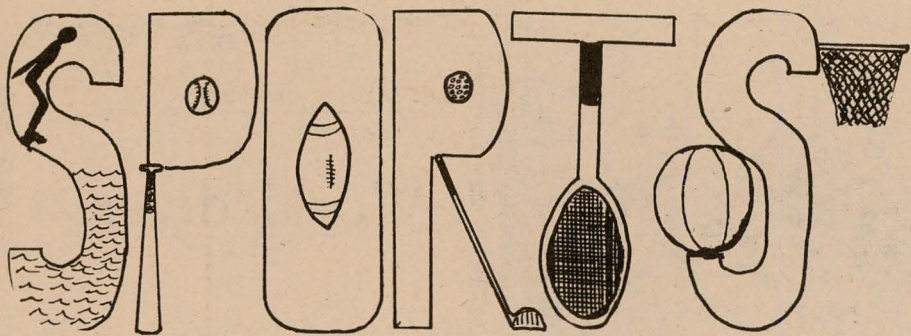
When discovered by Captain Orr, the pool in the building was dry and none of the offices were being used. Today, the "in-the-water" training for the club's courses is conducted in the refurbished pool and there is a club office and classroom upstairs.

While organizing the Sea Conquerers, Ron kept his flippers wet by working as an assistant instructor for the Letterman Army Hospital scuba program.

Although time demands made by his new job as aide caused him to step down as club president last month, Ron's plans include continued work aimed at making the Conquistadores del Mar a professional organization.

As for his own diving plans, he commented wistfully, "Like all divers I entertain dreams of buying a boat and going off to the South Seas but that is the sort of thing dreams are made of."





## Good things are small

An individual small games tournament will be held at the Service Club next week. Sponsored by Special Services Sports Division competition will be in shuffleboard, table tennis, and pool. Those who want to enter should have their unit athletic and recreation officer or NCO contact the Sports Division at Ext. 4120 or 5032. Tournament equipment will be available at the club. Winner trophies will be presented.

## Hurry to the hoops

The Presidio Youth Basketball Program starts soon. Registration for dependents, ages 10-16, will be conducted next week. Monday through Friday register at the Post Gym from 3 to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday at the Bowling Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## Encounter of equestrians

The Presidio Riding Club will hold its first horse show next Sunday, October 22. It starts at 9 a.m. at the riding stables, Ft. Barry. Western and Gymkahana events will run through the morning, followed by English events in the afternoon. Admission is free and spectators are welcome.

## — Standings —

### Flag football

| Presidio League         | Won | Lost | HHD 504th MP Bn           | 4 | 3 |
|-------------------------|-----|------|---------------------------|---|---|
| 170th MP Co             | 8   | 0    | Co D 864th EBC            | 2 | 4 |
| 6A Sp Trps              | 7   | 1    | HHB 13th Arty Gp          | 2 | 5 |
| 571st MP Co             | 3   | 3    | NADS                      | 0 | 6 |
| LGH No. 3               | 3   | 3    |                           |   |   |
| HQ Co USAG              | 3   | 6    | <b>Golden Gate League</b> |   |   |
| OAB                     | 0   | 5    | "B" Btry 1st Msl          |   |   |
| 402d MP Co              | 0   | 6    | Bn 61st Arty              | 6 | 0 |
| <b>Ft. Scott League</b> |     |      | LGH No. 2                 | 4 | 2 |
| Corps of Engrs          | 6   | 0    | 51st Engr Det             | 3 | 3 |
| LGH No. 1               | 5   | 2    | 16th BPO                  | 2 | 4 |
| 6A Med Lab              | 4   | 3    | 6A Flt Det                | 1 | 4 |
|                         |     |      | Harbor Craft              | 1 | 4 |

### Bowling

| Presidio League | Won | Lost | Ft. Scott League      |    |    |
|-----------------|-----|------|-----------------------|----|----|
| 13th Arty Gp    | 14  | 2    | B Btry 1st Ms Bn 61st | 14 | 2  |
| 115th MI Gp     | 13  | 3    | 571st MP Co           | 12 | 4  |
| HQ 6th Region   | 12  | 4    | 6A Comm Det           | 11 | 5  |
| 170th MP Co     | 10  | 6    | HQ 6A Sp Trps         | 10 | 6  |
| 402nd MP Co     | 8   | 8    | 87th Ord              | 10 | 6  |
| HQ Sp Trps      | 6½  | 9½   | AFPD                  | 9  | 7  |
| HQ Co USAG      | 6   | 10   | Vet Det               | 6  | 10 |
| 504th MP Bn     | 4   | 12½  | ELCID                 | 4  | 12 |
| 6A Med Lab      | 3½  | 13   | Harbor Craft          | 3  | 13 |



## Get away to it all in October!

### Armed Forces YMCA

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- 13 — Underground Gourmet Nite at French Basque Hotel. Leave "Y" at 7 p.m.
- 14 — Trip to San Jose Gem and Mineral Show. Admission is 50¢. Bus departs at noon.
- 15 — Inner city kids outing. Volunteers are still needed. Begins 9:30 a.m.
- 19 — Ice Skating party, 7 p.m.
- 20-23 — Camping trip to Pinnacles National Monument. Leaves Friday at 6:30 p.m. and returns Monday night. \$10 plus car expenses. Call the "Y" for reservations.
- Standing Events: Dances every Saturday, 9 p.m. Free suppers every Sunday at 6 p.m. followed by rap sessions, games, or Coffee House.

### Art

- 13-31 — The Legion of Honor shows the *French Collections*.
- 14 — Gala reopening of the expanded San Francisco Museum of Art, Veterans Building, Civic Center.

### Books

San Francisco — The Presidio Library System has many books to help you plan some fun in the city. Check their stacks and one out. Post Library is building 386; Ft. Baker Branch, building T511.

### Information

More Information — Call 391-2000 (San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau) for a daily report on special events and activities in and around the Bay area and 561-5480 (Presidio Service Club) for information on discounts and free admission to many local happenings.

### Movies

- 13 — Double feature horror show (PG), Presidio Theater. Increased Admission. *Bad Company* (PG), Letterman Theater.
- 14 — *Napoleon and Samantha* (G), Presidio Theater.
- 15 — *Conquest of the Planet of the Apes* (PG), Presidio Theater. Increased Admission.
- 16 — *Conquest of the Planet of the Apes*, Presidio Theater.
- 17 — *Bad Company*, Presidio Theater. *Pancho Villa* (PG), Letterman Theater.
- 18 — *Without Apparent Motive*, Presidio Theater. Charlie Chaplin in *The Great Dictator* (G), Letterman Theater.

- 19 — *Pancho Villa*, Presidio Theater. *Nicholas and Alexandra* (PG), Letterman Theater. Increased Admission.
- 20 — *Pancho Villa*, Presidio Theater. Dustin Hoffman and Anne Bancroft in *The Graduate* (PG), Letterman Theater.
- 21 — *The Great Dictator*, Presidio Theater.
- G — **General Audiences.** All ages admitted.
- PG — **Parental Guidance.** This film contains material which may not be suited for pre-teenagers.
- R — **Restricted.** Under 17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian.
- X — No One Under 17 Admitted.
- Basic Admission Charges. Adults (50¢) and children (25¢). Add (15¢) for increased admission.

### Music

Opera — Military ID card means free admission (standing room only) to the San Francisco Opera's Golden Anniversary Season. "Aida", 14th; "Tosca", 18th; and "The Visit of the Old Lady", 25th.

### NCO Club

Octoberfest — Make plans for this event on October 28. Buffet dinner, free beer, entertainment, and Bavarian Band are yours for \$5 per person. Make reservations early!

### Officer's Club

Standing Events: Happy Hour, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; Main Club, 4:15 p.m. Sunday breakfast or brunch, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Main Club. Happy Hour, 4:15 p.m., and Dotte del Prado at the piano bar, 5 p.m., both every Monday and Friday at the Letterman Annex. Happy Hour, every Tuesday and Thursday in the Log Cabin Annex, 4:15 p.m.

### Service Club

- 14 — Horseback riding in Novato, 8 a.m.
- 15 — Tour of Sutter's Creek Gold Country, 9:30 a.m. Italian buffet, 6 p.m.
- 16 and every Monday — Chess Challenge with George Koltonowski, 6:30 p.m. First hour will be devoted to class instruction with tournaments following. Those who attend regularly will receive U.S. Chess Federation

- rating. P.S. Yes, Mr. Koltanowski is the world famous International Chess Master.
- 18 — Terry Patterson leads a rap session entitled "Is There A Black Threat?", 8 p.m.
- 19 and every Thursday — "The Coffee House Scene" with D.J. dancing, 8 p.m.
- 21 — Marathon dance begins at 5 p.m.
- 22 — Coffee call, 10 a.m. Alaskan buffet, 6 p.m.
- 23 — Holiday coffee call, 10 a.m. Veterans Day buffet, 6 p.m.

### Special Events

- 13-15 — Monterey/Castrol Grand Prix for Can-Am Challenge Cup Series, Laguna Seca Raceway, Monterey.
- 12-22 — San Francisco International Film Festival features major films from around the world each evening. Palace of the Fine Arts Theater.
- 19-22 — Ski and Winter Sports Show, Cow Palace.
- 22 — Veterans Day Parade, starts at 1 p.m. in the Financial District and travels along Post, Grant, O'Farrell and Polk Streets to City Hall.

### Sports

- 14 — Basketball: Warriors meet Milwaukee, Oakland Coliseum Arena.
- 15 — Football: 49ers vs. New York at Candlestick Park.
- 17 — Warriors take on Baltimore, Oakland.
- 22 — 49ers play New Orleans at Candlestick.
- Sportsdial — Call 478-9560 for the latest San Francisco and Oakland team scores and standings. Sportsdial is a public service of the *San Francisco Examiner* and *KSFO* radio.

### Teen Club

- 13 — Dance at Oakland Army Base. Bus leaves club at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$1.25 a person.
- 14 — Dance at Ft. Ord. Bus leaves at 6 p.m. Paid members only and with folks permission. Cost is \$1 stag, \$1.50 drag.
- 19 — Birthday night for all members born in October.
- 21 — Dance at Hamilton Air Force Base. Leave the Presidio at 6:30 p.m. A buck and a quarter.

### USO

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- 16 — Square dancing, 7:30 p.m.
- 22 — Free sandwich buffet, 5 p.m.
- 26 — Halloween party for underprivileged children, 6:30 p.m.

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TGIF - But it's the 13th



43 shopping days 'til Christmas

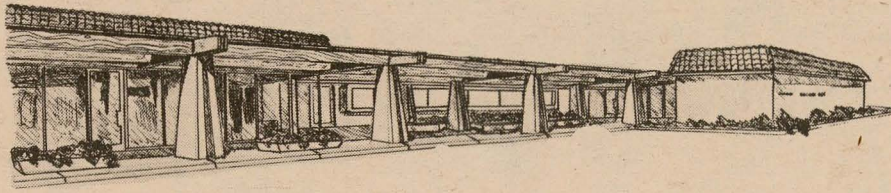
# Presidio Shopping Center to open

The holiday countdown is on! When the doors of the new Presidio Shopping Center swing open next Friday, November 3, there'll be only 43 more shopping days until Christmas.

With a release of balloons and the sounds of the Sixth Army Band, at 10 a.m., the Presidio's commanding officer, Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr., will cut the ribbons opening the facility to its first customers. Prior to the gala grand opening, VIPs will be given a walk-through tour of the exchange complex. There will be free gifts and special prize drawings throughout the day.

Located on Mason Street across from Crissy Army Air Field, the new PX is billed as "the exchange with the million-dollar view." The view: scenic San Francisco Bay and her Golden Gate Bridge.

According to local Bay Area Exchange officials, the new PX "will be one of the best-stocked, most complete facilities found within the Army Air Force Exchange System" (AAFES). Of the approximately \$1.5 million inventory, \$100,000 worth of



PX with the "million-dollar view." (Black and white drawing by Sp4 B. Naope)

special merchandise will be stocked for the opening event.

The spacious, fully air-conditioned complex is an ultra-modern structure that combines the latest techniques in one-stop shopping. Innovations include a catalog center, an additional check-cashing window, and a re-funds and adjustment desk. A wig bar and enlarged cosmetic and jewelry sections are other attractions.

The main retail store is a luxuriously carpeted and decorated outlet to rival many leading department

stores. A breezeway connects an adjacent building which houses a variety of concession service shops. Included are: laundry and dry cleaning pick-up point, radio and TV repair shop, watch and shoe repair facilities, and florist, barber, beauty, and optical shops. Total area for the complex is 38,550 square feet.

PXs numbers one and two will close on October 28 and 31, respectively, and existing concessions now scattered around the post will be consolidated within the new

center. PX number three will remain open, housing food items, tools and hardware, paint and accessories, and garden shop.

Some 100 employees will man the floors, counters, offices, and warehouses of the shopping center. The manager of the new facility is Paula Caulk, a veteran of seven years with AAFES. Assistant managers are John Kennedy and Karl Romeika.

To accommodate the flood of shoppers sure to take advantage of the new exchange is a large parking lot for well over 200 cars. The Presidio's exchange facilities serve an estimated 38,000 retired military and their families in addition to the active duty military stationed here and at other Bay area installations.

Since groundbreaking last June, patrons have eagerly awaited their new store. Constructed at a cost of \$1,755,000, the exchange was built entirely from nonappropriated funds generated from Exchange Service earnings. No tax dollars were used for the project.

See "Know your PX" inside.

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### Festival is 'All Together Now'

Want to meet some new and different people here at the Presidio? A swinging good time, full of involvement, like you've never seen is being planned right here.

A Presidio Festival, "All Together Now", featuring Cecil Williams is being held to better interpersonal relationships between groups and individuals. The prime goal is to insure that the Presidio is a successful community — a group of people who communicate and communicate meaningfully.

On Wednesday, November 8, the Festival starts in the Post Theater at 3 p.m. At 5 p.m. it moves to the Service Club where the program includes talk, a play, short movies, various club and organization booths, ethnic and national foods, singing, dancing, and fun. Most important it will give a large portion of the Presidio community the chance to meet and talk together. Sponsored by the Presidio Human Relations Council, military and DACs will be released from duty at 2 p.m. to attend this "new kind of training holiday".

Cecil Williams refers to himself as a "Minister of Involvement and Celebration". He sees his role as one of helping "to free and liberate those people who are trying to move out of the vicious circle of just merely surviving." Presently, he is with Glide Memorial United Methodist Church in San Francisco. In addition to being a minister, he is the host of the popular local TV series, "Vibrations for a New People," a show focusing on the ethnic and cul-

tural programs relating to the spiritual and social concerns of the Third World or minority communities. Cecil is also the spiritual advisor for Angela Davis. Through community involvement he has made definitive contributions to the Blacks of San Francisco. As Cecil says, "I am a very angry man, a very angry minister, a very angry black man . . . and my anger is as strong as my love and my love is as courageous as my anger."

The schedule for the day of the Festival is:

**2:30 p.m. (Post Theater)** Band concert, music, singing, and fun under the direction of Cecil Williams, who will speak and lead the program with the help of his band and staff.

**5 p.m. (Service Club)** 5 to 6 p.m. Food, music, optional attendance at movies, discussion, getting acquainted; information booths will be placed around the Club with material on ethnic groups and various post organizations.

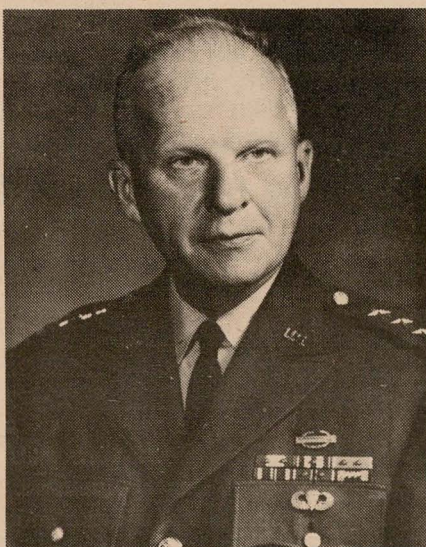
6 p.m. A brief presentation, some thoughts by Cecil Williams, followed by more food, music, and mulling.

6:30 p.m. A brief play followed by music and dancing until 8 p.m.

For a totally new experience in togetherness, come to the Presidio Festival. Bring your friends. Get to know and interact with your brother. Wear your civies. See you there!

#### A cast of stars

### New CG and DCG shine over Sixth Army



Lieutenant General Stilwell

A new cast of stars, five to be exact, are now shining over Headquarters, Sixth U.S. Army.

In a special honor guard ceremony last Friday, Lieutenant General Richard G. Stilwell was welcomed to the Presidio as the new Commanding General, Sixth U.S. Army. At the same time, Major General James J. Gibbons became Sixth Army's new Deputy Commanding General.

LtGen. Stilwell arrived from Washington, D.C., where he served as Deputy Chief of Staff for Military Operations, U.S. Army, and concurrently as Senior U.S. Army Member, Military Staff Committee, United Nations.

A native of Buffalo, N.Y., LtGen. Stilwell was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers upon graduation from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1938, transferring to the Infantry branch in November 1945.

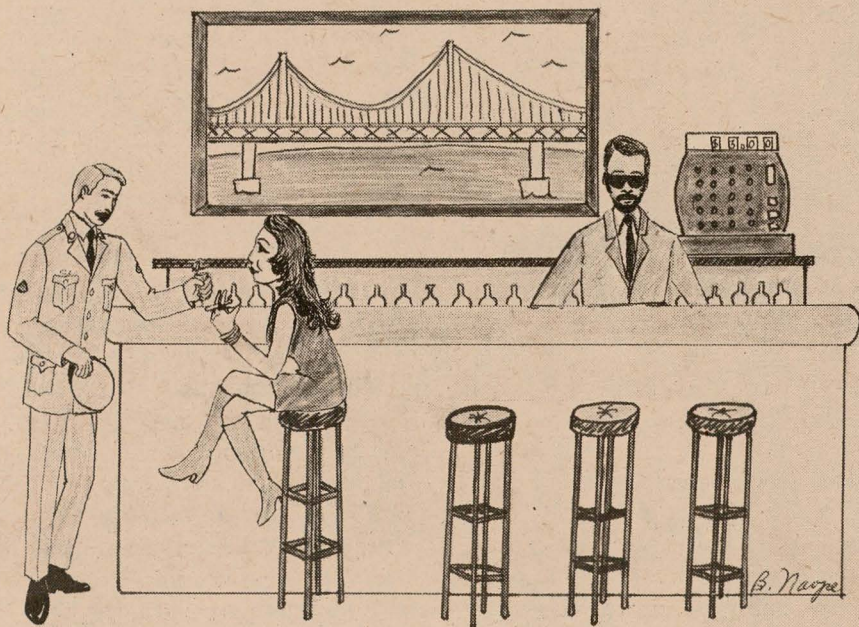
MajGen. Gibbons served as Deputy Commander, U.S. Military Assistance Command, Thailand, prior to assignment here. Upon graduation from Harvard University in 1941, the general was commissioned a second lieutenant in Artillery through the college ROTC program. He is a native of Lawrence, Mass.



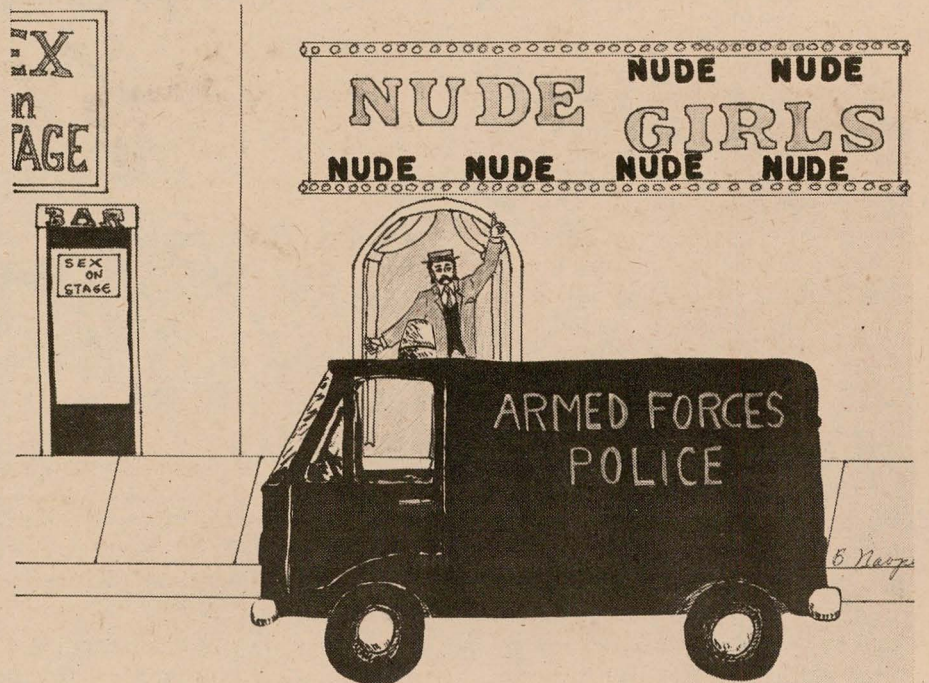
Major General Gibbons



# Off limits:



Where the action is --  
you're their action



"Where's the off-limits list — it will show us where the action is." How often have you heard this? Don't you believe it.

What does the off-limits list really mean and how does an establishment get put on it?

The list is made up of business establishments which have proven to be dangerous to the health and welfare of military personnel. Included are places where significant numbers of VD contacts have been reported, where soldiers have been mugged or rolled, where gross overcharging takes place, or where inferior merchandise is sold at inflated prices. Also included are merchants who refuse to honor stated warranties, businesses who practice racial discrimination, and eating establishments which do not meet health department standards.

The off-limits list is established by an Armed Forces Disciplinary Control (AFDC) Board and approved by the local commander. The board

having jurisdiction in the San Francisco Bay area meets at the Presidio and is made up of representatives of all four services and the Coast Guard. There are also several civilian advisers from the various health departments, law enforcement agencies, and state agencies in the Bay area. The board meets monthly to consider all matters brought before it.

## Armed Forces Police Detachment (AFPD)

The Armed Forces Police Detachment of the San Francisco Bay Area maintains close operational liaison with local civil law enforcement and health agencies. Members of this detachment investigate complaints of servicemen to the AFDC Board about establishments and individuals and report unsanitary conditions, unsafe areas, or places that harbor unsavory characters.

In making the rounds of areas "where the action is," members of the AFPD help maintain order, but they are also there to protect and

keep the serviceman from getting into trouble.

When required to do so by a local AFDC Board, members of the Armed Forces Police Detachment also deliver letters of warning or restriction to proprietors or owners of establishments that the Board has determined to be unsanitary or operating in a manner detrimental to the safety, health, or welfare of Armed Forces members.

To be effective the board must have the cooperation of all personnel and their dependents.

Have you made a purchase and received something less than the advertised item? Has a dealer refused to honor a warranty? Have you been overcharged or shortchanged? Have you been refused service because of race, sex, or employment? These are only a few of the illegal and improper business practices which are often used against military personnel. Something can be done about them if they are reported. The

IF is a big word here. Most people are embarrassed when they have been cheated and will not report it for fear of ridicule. Some aren't sure a crime has been committed. Most don't know who to complain to or how to make the complaint.

It is simple to make a complaint. Write a short letter to the San Francisco Area Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board, Building 558, Presidio of San Francisco 94129, and outline your complaint. It is a good idea to send your letter through your commander, but it is not necessary. The board will investigate every complaint and will provide you a report of action taken. It might not always be able to gain satisfaction for you, but it might be able to protect other soldiers from the same problem.

The AFDC board does not exist to legislate morals, it is there to protect you. It may be true that the off-limits list will tell you where the action is — but just remember in these places you become their action.

# Off limits:

Should the Army put off-duty,  
off-post places off limits?

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This is your section of the paper, a chance to express your opinions, gripes and comments. Either send your letters to the newsroom of answer questions asked by our roving reporter. Your letters and comments will be screened and those with the most interest to the majority of Presidio personnel will be printed. Letters should be limited to one typed or handwritten page and submitted to the newsroom not later than Monday prior to publication. All letters must be signed to include your name, rank, unit and phone. However, upon request comments and letters will be printed anonymously. Please send letters to Star Presidian, Information Office, Bldg. 87.

Yes, I think the Army's got the right to at least warn them of the establishments off post. These establishments should be beyond all doubt before putting them on the off-limits list — it's a last resort. — **A Specialist Five (WAC)**

I would say so, because they're doing it for the protection of the individuals themselves. I've had occasion where I've had some problems with people in the outer community. It's nice to be able to say I'm a serviceman, I've got the service behind me, and if you start giving me the run-around and giving me the business, I've got a place to go with it. I feel it's no more than right that they (the Army) should have the right to keep people from patronizing these places to get their point across to the people that they need better service. I think they (the Army) should be able to do it. — **A First Lieutenant**

Yes, I do feel that the Army should put places off limits. I deal with troops all day. A lot of them are young and it's their first time away from home. It's the first time they've been free of parental control therefore, they do not really have the experience necessary, nor the self discipline to govern their own conduct regarding these places. Secondly, there's the moral problem. How many of us at 17, 18, 19 had actually formed our own moral code? The disciplinary board puts them off limits, usually for prostitution, drug abuse, or cheap booze. Consequently, if these places have access to the service, they could affect our national security on the ground level. These places do present opportunities for anti-social conduct — I guess that's really what the whole thing sums up to. — **A Staff Sergeant**

As far as a bar or a place or relaxation, I think it should be left up to the individual. If it's a mechanic or some other businessman, people are not

acquainted with, especially in a strange city, or if this place is known to be a racket, then I think this place should be put off limits. The Better Business Bureau should be informed and then the government can take action from there. — **A Specialist Four**

No, I don't think so. I think they should bring the point out to the people and tell them what they have found out, but I don't think they should be allowed to put them completely off limits. It's a person's right if they want to go to a place like this. If they realize they could be taken and if they go still, they should be able to. Something could slip but this could happen anywhere — **A Specialist Four**

I think so in certain cases. I think it's a help. There's a lot of places here that are bad. I've been to a couple of them and I wish someone had told me not to go there. — **A Specialist Four**

Ms. Linda Massey is the *Star Presidian's* roving reporter. She's assigned to the Command Information Branch, Office of the Chief, Public Affairs, 6th U.S. Army. She is armed with a question covering just about any subject you can imagine, and some you can't. When you see her coming, be prepared.

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# Know your PX

Most servicemen are familiar with the Post Exchange, yet few realize how their PX operates, who runs it, why, or what happens to its earnings.

Post Exchange activities — main retail stores, cafeterias and snack bars, barber and beauty shops, service stations, cleaners and laundries and other similar services — are the most frequently used facilities at Army and Air Force installations throughout the continental United States (CONUS) and in 28 countries around the world.

As an indication of its size, the annual sales of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) are slightly over \$2 billion. A substantial portion of its earnings supports your recreational activities — Army and Air Force welfare funds, recreation programs, sports equipment, swimming pools, hobby shops, libraries, chapels, and other similar activities.

This worldwide military exchange system sells to servicemen and their dependents both day-to-day necessities and other items authorized by Congress for PX sale in the United States. Overseas, nearly everything required for a family — cars, furniture, clothing, televisions, larger appliances, and other merchandise — may also be authorized for sale by the overseas commander.

#### Who Runs the PX?

Americans were first served — starting in the Revolutionary days — by settlers and post traders who sold the cheapest quality merchandise at the highest possible prices. As a result of this treatment, various groups of soldiers eventually started their own cooperative canteens in which the men themselves contributed the money and shared the

profits of the canteens. This proved so satisfactory that in 1895 the Congress of the United States authorized the first Post Exchange. Its primary mission was “to provide items of convenience and necessity at reasonable prices.” The mission today remains the same. This Exchange proved so successful that eventually each post had its own Exchange individually run and managed by that post.

During World War II, however, General George C. Marshall then Army Chief of Staff, realized the benefits of centralization and formed the Army Exchange Service which for the first time acted as a unified system. In 1947 this grew into the Army and Air Force Exchange System which has existed with continuing modifications until today. The system is controlled by a Board of Directors, consisting of 11 Army and Air Force Generals, the Sergeant Major of the Army, the Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, and the Chief of the Army and Air Force Motion Picture Service.

Operating from its world headquarters in Dallas, Texas, your exchange system is a military organization run by and for the military establishment. It is not operated by a private company.

#### Where Are the PX's Located?

AAFES has the following overseas systems: European Exchange System (EES), Munich, Germany; the Pacific Exchange System (PACEX) in Honolulu, Hawaii; and the Alaska Exchange System (ALEX) at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. The CONUS and Offshore System, also operating from Dallas, serves the continental U.S., Greenland, Canada, Puerto Rico, the Azores, Panama Canal Zone and Brazil. The PX is also found in Vietnam and Thailand. Wherever you may be stationed, at home or abroad, you will find a nearby PX facility supplying the largest number of items possible.

#### How Your PX Operates

Exchange procurement is similar

to that of a large commercial department store or chain. For the most part, it buys items for resale that are manufactured under commercial or its own specifications.

All exchange procurement is for first quality merchandise with wide selection of brand names and proven products. Items frequently referred to as “seconds” are not procured. All AAFES merchandise is guaranteed — if you are not satisfied, your purchase price will be refunded.

AAFES has a consolidated procurement program. This method of procurement benefits exchange customers by pooling requirements and thus permitting AAFES to obtain volume quantity prices. Procurement in this manner has permitted AAFES to pass on to authorized customers savings in excess of \$44 million in the past five years. These volume-purchase bargains, called “Gold Shield Items,” and so tagged in your exchange, consist of such popular items of merchandise as luggage, recording tapes, household appliances, spark plugs, hand power tools, charcoal, antifreeze and other items of common usage.

#### How Fair Are PX Prices?

The exchange pricing policy is substantially uniform worldwide and compares most favorably with commercial retail prices. A recent survey indicates that overall CONUS exchange retail prices were approximately 23 percent below commercial prices of the same items.

This doesn't mean the PX will always sell every item cheaper than stores in the civilian community. Certain civilian firms specialize in buying bankrupt stocks or finding wholesalers or retailers in desperate need for cash. They purchase large quantities of merchandise at prices much lower than the prevailing ones or the retail prices advertised by the manufacturers. Such bargains are

often shortlived. Occasionally these low priced items are used by civilian stores as loss leaders. The PX is not authorized to sell in this manner.

Of particular interest to most servicemen is the price of gasoline. The exchange uses a differential pricing system. Its gasoline price is normally 3 cents less on regular gasoline and 4 cents less on premium gasoline sold at offpost commercial name brand service stations. It does not compete with discount gasoline stations. Some local or regional companies often undersell the exchange. The exchange is also undersold during price wars. When price wars occur you should take advantage of the opportunity! Most of the time, however, you'll buy gasoline for 4 or 5 cents less. For other automotive services, you save about 25 percent below local prices, based on semi-annual surveys of local markets.

#### Why is There a PX System?

The PX belongs to you — its customers. It operates solely for the military. It stocks all items it is authorized to sell the military, and its prices are as low as possible to cover operating costs, i.e., cost of goods and personnel costs. It must also generate earnings. These earnings for the most part go back to you, the military, in contributions to the welfare fund. In FY 1972, approximately \$82 million was turned over to the Army and Air Force welfare funds.

A word to the wise! As an authorized exchange customer, it is mandatory that you protect your exchange privileges. It is often tempting to be nice to a neighbor who may want you to get him some cigarettes at the PX, but purchases of this sort can cost you your own personal shopping privileges and could eventually result in the loss of the exchange service itself. Use your privileges — don't abuse them.

## Beware!

Halloween. . . The children's night for “Trick or Treat,” “Ghosts and Goblins” and “Haunts and Horrors.” Unfortunately, some of these horrors are all too real!

Every year on Halloween many children suffer from auto accidents, fire injuries, falls, cuts, bruises and even poisoned treats.

How can you insure a safe, enjoyable evening for your children? Be sure they know the possible dangers and show them how to avoid those dangers.

**Risky Roadways.** Children may become careless from excitement and run into the road. Remember, dusk, the time of trick-or-treating, is also the time when driver's visibility is at its poorest.

**Dangerous Dress.** Loose costumes, bulky treat bags, unsafe shoes (like mom's high heels) are a menace. Masks reduce vision and a sharp or pointed toy weapon could be lethal. Many costumes are dark and hard to see.

**Frightful Flames.** Open flames from jack-o-lanterns, and candles could fire a billowing costume or a false wig.

**Treacherous Treats.** Can you imagine razor blades in an apple? Some sick minds have inserted tacks in popcorn, needles and pins in candy and have poisoned the “treats.”

#### Talk It Over

Before the big night and just before the children leave, outline the plans for the evening.

Decide on a route. You may have to locate the children in a hurry and it'll pay to know where they are.

Keep the children in groups of about 3 or 4 and make sure they're the same age level.

Young children should be supervised by an adult or a responsible older child.

Never enter a home and, if there are certain homes that are off limits, arrange the route so that the children avoid those spots.

Set a reasonable time limit on trick-or-treating and insist that the children keep within those limits!

#### Costume Safety

Following are some tips that make halloweens safer but just as scary:  
Hairspray can create special effects and it's safer than flammable false hair. A flashlight is just as eerie as the dangerous flame of a candle. Fluorescent strips taped onto bags, hats, and hems increase visibility in the dark and create some ghostly effects, too. By the way, make sure the kids aren't too greedy.

GHOSTS  
'N'  
GOBLINS  
AREN'T THE  
WORST...

# HALLOWEEN HORRORS

That bag should not be too big for a child to handle.

Makeup is safer than a mask which can obscure vision. Toy weapons should be made out of cardboard so the child won't be injured if he falls on them.

Is the costume flame-proof? Here's an easy at-home method of making cotton material flame resistant: combine 7 oz. of Borax, 3 oz. of boric acid, and 3 quarts of hot water. (Make a paste from the Borax and a little hot water, then add the rest of water and boric acid, stirring until clear.) Dip the costume in the solution, wetting it completely, and let it dry. This process must be repeated if the costume is washed. Remember, it won't work on synthetic fabrics.

#### Checking the Treats

Insist that the children bring home the treats for inspection before they begin eating! Fruit should be washed and cut into small pieces to make sure nothing has been placed inside.

Throw out unpackaged candies and popcorn. Do the same with candy inside loose or torn wrappings!

If you should discover anything wrong with the “treats” your child brings home, report it to the police immediately.

#### For Residents

For your own protection from the little goblins, practice these common sense rules:

Greet the children at the door but don't encourage them to come inside. Keep a light on so they can see their way up your steps. Remove any loose objects from the pathway so the children won't trip. Wrap the goodies, if loose or homemade, and why not add your name to the package so parents will know where it's from?

Thankfully, Halloween is a one-night affair and for those who practice sensible precaution it remains frightfully wonderful!



# SPORTS

## PSF golf tourney starts today

The Fourth Annual Presidio Society Golf Tournament starts today at the Presidio Golf Club. The Presidio will enter a 4-man team which was selected by lottery October 19. Fees are funded by the Presidio of San Francisco Welfare Fund. Proceeds from the tournament will be donated to "Project Sleigh Bells," which provides financial assistance to Letterman General Hospital.

## '72-73 basketball to begin Nov. 15

The Presidio's 1972-73 Intramural Basketball Competition will get underway November 15. League competition will be governed by the 1972-73 NCAA Basketball Rules as modified for intramural play by the Presidio Sports Division. Units wishing to enter a team should contact Special Services Sports Division at Ext. 4120 or 5032 no later than November 5.

*Plan some fun*

## 'Company' is coming November 2

The Presidio Players will present Stephen Sondheim and George Furth's musical comedy, "Company," at the Presidio Playhouse on November 2-4, 8-9, 16-18 at 8 p.m., and a final performance on Sunday, November 19, at 7 p.m.

"Company" opened on Broadway in 1970 and was considered a tremendous creative achievement, winning both the Tony Award and the

New York Drama Critics' Award as the Best Musical of the Year. "Company" is a very new musical, about a bachelor who keeps company with five married couples who are undergoing various pains of matrimony. Bobby, the bachelor, is always the life of the party and the target of matchmaking by the couples. As he visits each he is drawn into their hang-ups, joys, and sorrows, and

with this sharing comes not only the happiness but the unhappiness as well. He finally learns that he must stop clinging to the lives of his friends and start building a life of his own.

"Company" is being produced by the Entertainment Division of Special Services. The Presidio Players is a community theatre group composed of military, dependent, and

civilian personnel, and participation is open to anyone interested. Recent productions have included "Dracula," "Look Homeward, Angel," and "The Boy Friend."

"Company" will be backed by an orchestra of 17, composed mostly of members of the Sixth Army Band, placed on a specially designed balcony behind the ultra-modern plexi-glass setting. The cast of 14 will perform on a series of levels and cubes representing various settings in New York.

The production is designed and directed by Donald Hess, Special Services Entertainment Director, and musical direction is by George Harshbarger, former member of the Sixth Army Band. The musical numbers and dances have been staged by Roger Henderson, who won the "Best Choreography" Award for "The Boy Friend" in last year's Sixth US Army Musical Play Contest.

Included in the cast are Peter Arizu as Bobby, who appeared professionally in "The Fantastics" at the Ghirardelli Square and Wharf Theatres for four years and Ann Homrighausen, who won the "Best Actress" Award in last year's Sixth US Army Musical Play Contest as Madame Dubonnet in "The Boy Friend."

Beginning this Monday, free tickets will be available daily, except Sundays, from 1-5 p.m. at the Playhouse Box Office, located in building 239, at the Marina end of Crissy Airfield. Seating will be on a first-come, first-seated basis for those holding tickets, with doors opening 20 minutes before curtain time. "Company" is recommended for adult audiences.



U.S. Army Photo by SSG Tony Reyes

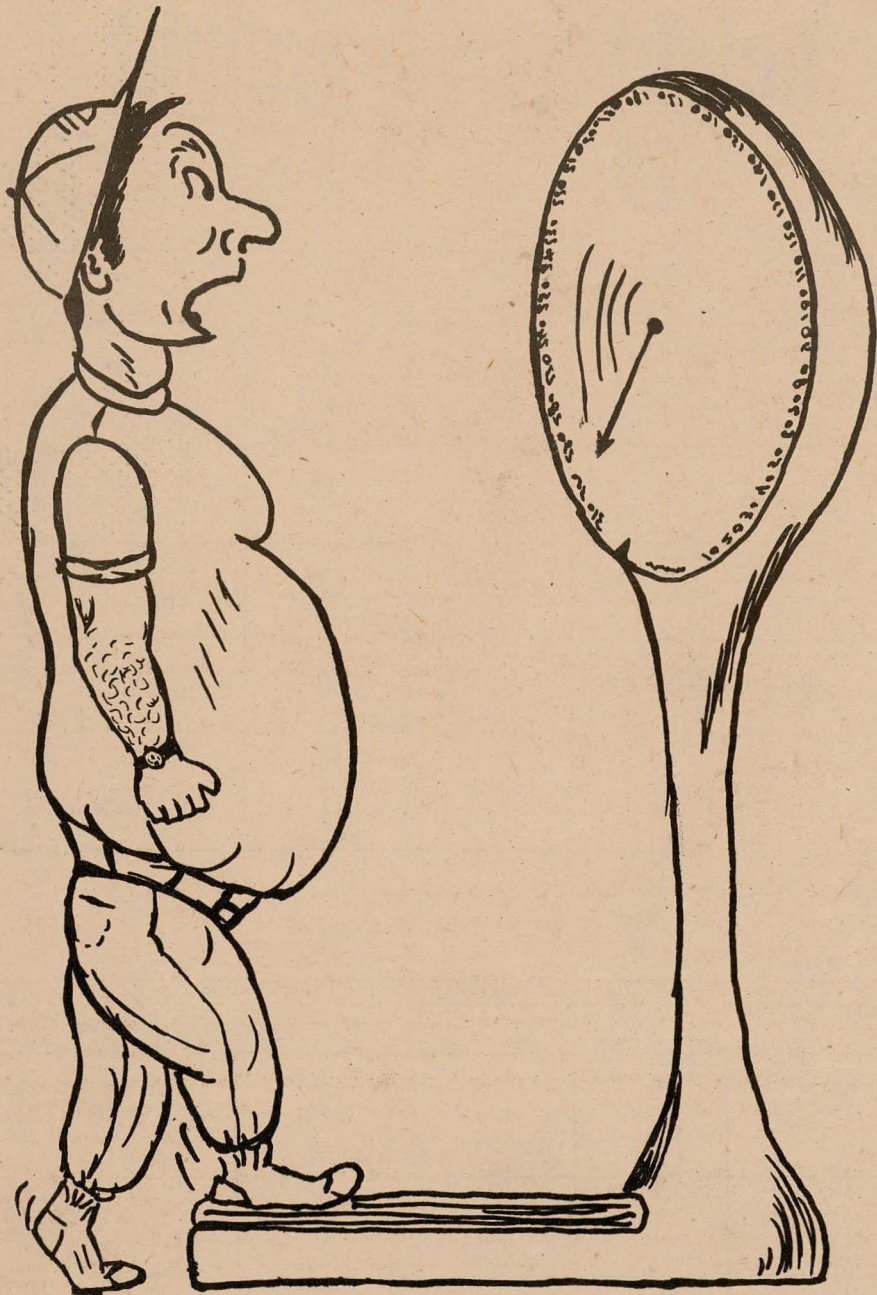
*Ah-h-h . . . beautiful!*

Sergeant Charles Patterson of the 504th MP Company, Presidio Intramural Bowling League, hurls a shot in Tuesday night's game against the Medical Lab team. Current Intramural Bowling League standing are:

| Presidio League | Won | Lost | Fort Scott League | Won | Lost |
|-----------------|-----|------|-------------------|-----|------|
| 115th MI Gp     | 17  | 7    | B Btry 61st       | 22  | 2    |
| 13th Arty Gp    | 16  | 8    | 571st MP Co       | 15  | 9    |
| HQ 6th Region   | 15  | 9    | 87 ORD            | 15  | 9    |
| 402d MP Co      | 14  | 10   | Comm Det          | 13  | 11   |
| HQ Co Sp Trps   | 13½ | 10½  | Sp Trps No. 2     | 13  | 11   |
| 170th MP Co     | 12  | 12   | AFPD              | 12  | 12   |
| 504th MP Co     | 10  | 14   | Vet Det           | 9   | 15   |
| Med Lab         | 8½  | 15½  | 16th BPO          | 7   | 17   |
| Band            | 7   | 17   | Harbor Craft      | 7   | 17   |
| HQ Co USAG      | 7   | 17   | ELCID             | 7   | 17   |







Art by PFC Jaime Cavazos

## Weight control

# Reg says, 'Don't tip the scales!'

Does being overweight really have anything to do with the performance of your job in the military? In many cases it is not necessary for the military man to maintain a perfect physique to perform his duties. However, a recent regulation (AR 632-1) places emphasis on policies and procedures governing control of body weight of individuals serving on active duty.

The reg states that it is the responsibility of each active duty member to keep physically fit in order to perform his or her duties under demanding conditions. It is up to commanders to take appropriate action whenever overweight personnel fail to respond to guidance in maintaining physical fitness.

A weight reduction program will only be prescribed by a physician, and then only when it will improve the individual's performance of duties. However, if an individual is ordered to report to a medical treatment facility and does not do so, he is subject to disciplinary action. Enlisted personnel will not be released from duty earlier because of obesity which is not the result of a medical condition. Nor will disciplinary action be imposed simply because of failure to lose weight. Males and females enlisting or reenlisting who are classified as obese by a physician may not exceed weight standards for their height and age.

Commissioned and warrant officers who are classified by a physician as obese because their weight exceeds that of the prescribed standards will be carefully evaluated for elimination. This is done only when the individual's usefulness to the service is affected by his obesity and by failure to achieve and maintain desirable weight levels.

Before you are approached by your commander or boss, look at yourself in the mirror. Judge for yourself. If you are overweight, do something about it. Don't wait to be told!

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## Turned-offs tuned in at festival

Cecil Williams did indeed bring the Presidio "All Together Now" at Wednesday night's Human Relations Festival. Accompanied by *The Wailing Wall* and *Malombo (Spirit)* at the Post Theater, Cecil rapped about freeing and liberating those people who are trying to move out of the vicious circle of just merely surviving. Following his presentation, the festival moved to the Service Club, where the program included talks, short movies, various club and organization booths, ethnic and national foods, a short inspiring play and much, much more. This was the first event sponsored by the Post Human Relations Council to improve understanding, and communications among members of the Presidio community.



Cecil Williams





Grasp your midsection

Here's an amusing little exercise for you. On the count of one, open your hand. On two, reach down and grasp your midsection. Feel it? Just how much is down there? If you've found after grabbing hold of your belly you've really got your hands full — the conclusion is a simple one: YOU'RE FAT! No buts about it. You're not just a bit on the fleshy side nor is that flabby gut of yours just a thick layer of skin. That's lard, buddy. Good ole blubber. It's for whales only.

Times used to be — 60 or a million years ago — that rosy, plump bellies were in. Used to be that it was thought to cure nerve and brain exhaustion. Used to be that a woman without artificial inflationary devices would hide in the confines of her bedroom to cover her poor thin figure from the gaze of her spouse. Used to be in Hawaii, a woman's beauty was measured by her own measurements. The plumpier and dumpier you were in those days, the more beautiful you were. Queen Liliokalani tipped the scales at over 200 pounds. A real beaut.

Anyway, that's all history now. That's 60 or a million years ago and today is now. Today if you weight more than you should. . . people don't call you beautiful. They call you fatty. Behind your back.

What happened first was that medical science, as it advanced over the years, began to realize that all that blubber wasn't actually protecting your body or your organs or anything for that matter. What they found out was that being fat made your heart have to work just that much harder. In laymen's terms, wherever your fat grows — arteries, veins and capillaries do too. They have to nourish the fat. Your heart, on the other hand, keeps the arteries, veins and capillaries alive, by pumping things through them. This doesn't necessarily make your heart any weaker; it may make it even stronger. The thing is that it has to work a lot harder and will last much shorter. In other words, blubber plus hearts equal short lives.

You don't have to be a miniature blimp all your life. Three ingredients are all you need to be able to button your trousers again without strain. Willpower, initiative and patience can mean the difference between trimness and failure. Dieting and/or exercising equals weight reduction. Don't just say you're gonna do it — DO IT. Don't give up. You'll find that fat's a lot easier to accumulate than to get rid of. If you put your heart into it you may save it.

Now if you're content with being fat, that's another story. Of course when the time comes to choose teams, nobody's gonna choose you. Uncle Sugar doesn't even want you on his "Green Machine" team. If you don't care about your heart, and people talking behind your back, and walking around with your stomach jiggling — then more power to ya, FATSO! (Mike Pitschke)

Age + height = weight

| Height (inches) | Minimum (regardless of age) | Maximum   |           |           |           |           |               |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|
|                 |                             | 16-20 yrs | 21-24 yrs | 25-30 yrs | 31-35 yrs | 36-40 yrs | 41 yrs & over |
| 60              | 100                         | 163       | 173       | 173       | 173       | 168       | 164           |
| 61              | 102                         | 171       | 176       | 175       | 175       | 171       | 166           |
| 62              | 103                         | 174       | 178       | 178       | 177       | 173       | 169           |
| 63              | 104                         | 178       | 182       | 181       | 180       | 176       | 171           |
| 64              | 105                         | 183       | 184       | 185       | 185       | 180       | 175           |
| 65              | 106                         | 187       | 190       | 191       | 190       | 185       | 180           |
| 66              | 107                         | 191       | 196       | 197       | 196       | 190       | 188           |
| 67              | 111                         | 196       | 201       | 202       | 201       | 195       | 190           |
| 68              | 115                         | 202       | 207       | 208       | 207       | 201       | 195           |
| 69              | 119                         | 208       | 213       | 214       | 212       | 206       | 200           |
| 70              | 123                         | 214       | 219       | 219       | 218       | 211       | 205           |
| 71              | 127                         | 219       | 224       | 225       | 223       | 216       | 210           |
| 72              | 131                         | 225       | 231       | 232       | 230       | 224       | 218           |
| 73              | 135                         | 231       | 239       | 238       | 237       | 230       | 223           |
| 74              | 139                         | 237       | 246       | 246       | 243       | 236       | 229           |
| 75              | 143                         | 243       | 253       | 253       | 251       | 243       | 235           |
| 76              | 147                         | 248       | 260       | 260       | 257       | 250       | 241           |
| 77              | 151                         | 254       | 267       | 267       | 264       | 256       | 248           |
| 78              | 153                         | 260       | 275       | 273       | 271       | 263       | 254           |
| 79              | 159                         | 266       | 281       | 279       | 277       | 269       | 260           |
| 80              | 166                         | 273       | 288       | 286       | 284       | 276       | 267           |

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|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|
|                 |                             | 18-20 yrs | 21-24 yrs | 25-30 yrs | 31-35 yrs | 36-40 yrs | 41 yrs & over |
| 58              | 90                          | 121       | 123       | 126       | 124       | 135       | 135           |
| 59              | 92                          | 123       | 125       | 129       | 126       | 139       | 138           |
| 60              | 94                          | 125       | 127       | 132       | 128       | 142       | 141           |
| 61              | 96                          | 127       | 129       | 135       | 131       | 145       | 141           |
| 62              | 98                          | 129       | 132       | 139       | 132       | 148       | 147           |
| 63              | 100                         | 135       | 136       | 141       | 136       | 151       | 150           |
| 64              | 102                         | 136       | 140       | 144       | 140       | 155       | 154           |
| 65              | 104                         | 140       | 144       | 148       | 145       | 159       | 158           |
| 66              | 106                         | 144       | 149       | 151       | 150       | 164       | 163           |
| 67              | 109                         | 147       | 151       | 156       | 154       | 168       | 167           |
| 68              | 112                         | 152       | 158       | 159       | 159       | 172       | 171           |
| 69              | 115                         | 158       | 160       | 164       | 162       | 176       | 175           |
| 70              | 118                         | 162       | 166       | 168       | 167       | 181       | 180           |
| 71              | 122                         | 168       | 171       | 171       | 171       | 185       | 184           |
| 72              | 125                         | 171       | 175       | 176       | 175       | 189       | 188           |

Weight: Army discrimination?

Certainly, I think it's the Army's responsibility and more so the person's responsibility. It has a lot to do with the appearance of the Army as to how their personnel look. We're supposed to be the security force for the nation, and I think we should be fit. They had a special program for that overseas. They called it Operation REACH. Four hours out of the week you had to train to keep yourself in shape. — A Specialist Five

I can see having a plan to help people who are overweight, but I don't believe they (the Army) should go as far as they have to enforce it. I think it's everyone's right to reduce, if they'd like. Just like getting a haircut, it's up to the individual. — A Specialist Four

No, I don't think the Army should discriminate against those with a weight problem. I don't think anyone can help their size or do anything about the size they are going to be. The Army should put them in a department in which their weight best suits them or give them a job to fit whatever they are. — A Private First Class

Well, I feel they should tell them to start losing weight. First, try to get them to do it by themselves. Then, after a certain length of time — three months or something like that they should be forced to join a program, a group effort or something. In certain MOSs, they jus won't be able to perform their jobs properly. It will hinder them in their work, and it will cost the taxpayer money. — A Specialist Four

No, I don't think it's discriminatory. In fact, I don't think the standards are rigid enough. It's quite simply a requirement of the job for a man to be physically fit, to be able to do most jobs in the Army. I happen to work with this particular problem in recruiting. The standards are even more strict now than they used to be. Quite simply, it is virtually impossible for a man who's overweight to initially get into the Army. — A Staff Sergeant

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Colonel John L. Fellows, Jr., commanding officer, PSF, pops his way through balloons at the entrance to the Presidio Shopping Center during the facility's grand opening. Already a success the new PX had in excess of \$100,000 in sales during the first three days of operation. The new facility is one of the best-stocked, most complete PXs found within the Army Air Force Exchange System. (US Army Photo by SSG Tony Reyes)

The Presidio Shopping Center hours are as follows:

|                     |                          |                      |
|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Main Store and PX 3 | Monday-Saturday          | 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.    |
| Barber Shop         | Sunday and Holidays      | Noon to 5 p.m.       |
| Beauty Shop         | Monday-Saturday          | 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.  |
|                     | Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday | 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.     |
|                     | Thursday-Friday          | 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.  |
|                     | Saturday                 | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.     |
| Dry Cleaning        | Monday-Saturday          | 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.    |
| Shoe Repair         | Monday-Saturday          | 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.    |
| Optical Shop        | Monday-Saturday          | 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.    |
| Watch Repair        | Monday-Saturday          | 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.    |
| Flower Shop         | Monday-Saturday          | 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.    |
| Radio/TV Repair     | Monday-Friday            | 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. |
|                     | Saturday                 | 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.    |

# Early Xmas release

Here's some good news for those of you who are looking for an early out. A Christmas Early Release Program has been announced by the Department of the Army.

The circular authorizes liberal leave policies and an Army-wide Early Release Program to be conducted in conjunction with the holiday period.

All nonregular officers and warrant officers and all enlisted personnel whose ETS or adjusted ETS is between December 18 and January 5 will be separated or released during the period December 11-20 or as soon as practicable thereafter. Reserve personnel undergoing special training, officers being involuntarily relieved, officers approved for separation, and reservists ordered to active duty are not eligible.

When operational needs dictate, officers and warrant officers eligible for release under this policy may be retained on active duty by their command until their normal or adjusted release date. Enlisted personnel who would suffer personal hardship because of an early release may remain on active duty until normal or adjusted ETS.

Combination of Christmas Early Release with other early release programs is authorized provided the total period of early release does not exceed 179 days.

# Two soar to eagle



Jeff Hensen



Mike McDonald

Jeff Hensen, senior patrol leader, and Mike McDonald, assistant senior patrol leader, of Presidio Boy Scout Troop 77, became Eagle Scouts November 1. The presentation was made at an Eagle Court of Honor held at the Golden Gate Reserve Center.

In order to make Eagle Scout a boy

has to have 24 Merit Badges and complete a community service project. Jeff's and Mike's project was replacing the 32 posts along the Historic Trail at the Presidio. The two boys worked 144 hours to complete the project.

# Peggy Ward: A HOT news item





# Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, November 22, 7 p.m., Post Chapel



# Bomb experts work out!

by SGT Mike Clark

When a general practitioner of medicine has a patient with a difficult disease he calls in the specialists who best know how to treat it. When Bay Area civil authorities find what might well be a bomb, they call in the specialists who know how to disarm it.

The men of the Sixth Army Explosive Ordnance Disposal Detachments (EOD) under the command and operational control of the 548th EOD and assigned to units such as the 87th EOD have that job.

With the daring of a comic book adventure hero and the skill of a surgeon, the men of the Presidio based 87th quickly respond to calls for help from the Bay Area communities. Highly trained, they are ready to handle any type of explosive made, from firecrackers to nuclear bombs.

Each man in this nine-man elite crew has received three to five months of

training at the Joint Service Naval Ordnance School located at Indian Head, Maryland, along with refresher training there every 36 to 48 months and daily training here.

The San Francisco Police Department's "bomb squad" received much of its training from the 87th as have many civil and industrial agencies in Northern California. The Presidio unit responds when their civilian counterparts need assistance in handling an especially tricky device.

The 87th and its 10 sister units located around the 12-state Sixth US Army area, responded to 375 calls for assistance during a recent three month period and of those, only 128 were on Army Installations. The bulk of incidents were accidents involving explosives but 11 were possible improvised explosive devices or I.E.D.'s, better known as home-made bombs. One of these was an actual IED.

What goes through a man's mind when he goes up against an unknown explosive device? A young enlisted Ordnance man speaking of an incident in East Bay said, "I had a few thoughts running through my mind, knowing we had something real there. I was nervous until we got to the Bay Bridge then I began thinking about what I would do and what I might find. The training I had received began taking over and I started to think about the right procedures. It isn't really as scary as it is made out to be." "It is not that you don't respect the device, you still take care, but you know the possibilities and you know that you can do something with it."

Most of the devices the men handle are of familiar construction but the IED's are the most difficult and dangerous to disarm. They can be made in numerous ways and each must be approached differently. According

to Major Carl Hitchcock, the Sixth Army EOD Staff Officer and commanding officer of the 548th Ordnance Detachment, headquarters control unit for the other detachments, "the makers of IED's are getting more sophisticated and in fact are good bomb makers." He continued, "The real challenge in this work is man against man, not man against device."

The major, twice injured by explosions, could not easily answer why a man would volunteer, as all ordnance men have, to work in such a dangerous job. He says, "the reasons vary from man to man but if there is one common reason it seems to be both personal and team pride in doing a difficult and dangerous job in the Army and when I get out I'll be able to say something a lot of guys can't, I have really accomplished something."

The men of the 87th are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week, but even this job has its lighter side. An Ordnance lieutenant gave this account, "Some guy found what he thought to be a bomb on the Bay Bridge so we were called in to handle it. Traffic was stopped on both ends of the bridge and the people kept back at a safe distance. Down underneath one of the bridge support beams we examined the device which turned out to be a ball of limberger cheese."

The officer continued, "You get everything from an empty carton to a windup toy in luggage but you never know for sure until you get into the thing. I couldn't keep track of the number of suitcases full of books and lunches and other things we have investigated."

Slightly more than fifty percent who enter the Indian Head, 19-week school make it to graduation: The school requires graduates to be highly trained professionals. The lieutenant added, "We have got to have good people. If you are going to be working on something and you are risking your life and the guy's life next to you, you dang well better both be good."

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### Podolak top BLC graduate

Sergeant James K. Podolak headed the list of graduates as the Presidio Basic Leadership Course (BLC) graduated its 26th and last class. The graduation was held in the Post Theater on Nov. 17.

Podolak's score of 478 topped his 20 classmates (maximum for the course is 500). The course consists of both formal and practical exercises designed to bring out the potential leadership abilities required to be a leader in today's Army.

Eight hundred twenty four students have attended the course, of these 691 made it through to graduate. Similar courses are conducted at Forts Ord, Carson and Lewis. Each graduate receives four points toward his next promotion.

Past honor graduates have testified to the worth of the Presidio Course. Specialist Four Douglas Muckey went on to attend the US Army NCO Academy. Others have gone on to be promoted ahead of their contemporaries. Sergeant James Radford achieved the highest score in the course, 491.

Captain Andrus is the current commander of the course. He is assisted by seven cadre.

Final graduation ceremonies were attended by Col. John L. Fellows, Pre-

sidio Commander, Chaplain (Maj.) Joseph A. Graves and the BLC staff.

Sergeant Major Joe A. Dixon was the guest speaker.

### Fern selected SOM

Private Richard J. Fern, a postal inspector assigned to the 16th Base Post Office, has been selected Presidio Soldier of the Month.

Fern terms his selection as "lucky" but members of the board who selected the young soldier from nine enlisted members representing three units say that Fern was "best qualified" of all considered.

Richard is satisfied with his job as postal inspector but has plans to begin a career in public relations upon discharge. He lives with his wife and child in San Francisco. Prior to entering the Army, Fern worked as a mail clerk for a trucking company in Oakland.

Fern received \$10 from his unit and \$25 plus a three-day pass and a watch from Col. John J. Fellows, Presidio Commander, as reward for his selection as Soldier of the Month. He was also made exempt from the extra duty roster for 30 days.

## Records

Heavy rains sent mud sliding across roads in the Marin forts and water seeped through a few basement walls as the Presidio was blasted with more than three inches of water last week.

Men from the 864th Engineer Battalion and the Post facilities Engineering office worked throughout the downpour to clear roadways and drain buildings as the rains seemed to be never-ending.

Overall, the Presidio was kept dry through the 24-hour vigil maintained by the engineers. No major building damage was recorded and the few roadways coated with mud were cleared within minutes.



Men of the 87th EOD handle all types of explosive devices. A mistake on big ones like this could mean death. (U.S. Army Photo)



# Promotion points Thru education

The Army has a variety of educational opportunities for servicemen on active duty, retirees, dependents and civilians hoping to better his or her education.

How much is it going to cost me to get what I want out of the course? What will be the results of the courses? What persons are eligible for the courses? Who should I contact for information on enrolling? When do the courses start? What are the courses offered to me?

## CORE-GED INSTRUCTION

The Core-GED Instruction is free! It is designed to assist students whose abilities in English and mathematics are weak. The program has tutors who help students on an individual or small group basis. Each student is progressed from his entering level of knowledge as fast as he is capable of going.

Who is eligible? . . . servicemen or women who have low Army Classification Battery scores. Ordinarily a General Technical score (GT) of 90 or below is used to set a guide for eligibility. He or she who feels the need for review instruction can be included.

As a result of this course students are generally able to raise their GT scores. During two typical terms the average increase was 22 points. Terms are eight weeks long and run continuously throughout the year. Classes meet for four hours each morning, Monday thru Friday. Next scheduled class is December 4th - February 14th.

## EVENING CAREER DEVELOPMENT

The Evening Career Development Program is an individual instruction program designed for students wishing to prepare for; College Level Examination Program General Examination (CLEP), Army Classification Battery, college admission, and civilian employment examinations.

Instruction covers review or remedial work in English, mathematics, and science. There is no cost for this program of instruction. Any member of the Army whose GT score is 80 or above is eligible for this course.

College credits can be earned after successful completion of the CLEP battery of tests. Students are motivated to pursue higher formal education and are better equipped to perform day-to-day work after this intensive review of basic educational tools. Science classes meet from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Mathematics and English classes meet from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Mathematics and English classes meet from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. These terms run continuously throughout the year. The next scheduled term is January 9th - February 15th.

Enrollment in these courses can be accomplished by calling Ext. 2974 or 3343 and talking with an advisor about the Evening Career Development Program. It is advisable to arrange for a preliminary interview.

## ON-POST HIGH SCHOOL

The on-post high school program is a short intensified high school program leading to a diploma with

Alemany Adult School of the San Francisco Community College District. Subjects covered are: English, civics, history, and mathematics. These classes are taught during the day. Science classes are conducted in the evening for students who have an interest or need for science credit.

Students who meet all requirements are awarded high school diplomas. They are therefore prepared to enter college or trade schools and are better able to qualify for civilian jobs. Army careerists benefit by having met the Army goal of high school completion and are better qualified for promotion. Students who complete this instruction are also eligible for high school GED testing.

Classes meet Monday through Friday from 7:30 to 4:15 p.m. These courses are ten weeks long and run continuously throughout the year.

Information about enrollment can be obtained by calling The Army Education Center Ext. 2974 or 3343 and talking with the high school advisor.

## ON-POST UNDERGRADUATE COLLEGE

The College of Notre Dame, which is located in Belmont, thirty miles south of San Francisco, conducts on-post classes at the Presidio. These classes cover a wide range of subjects permitting Army personnel to earn credits appropriate to the level of their college work, and insofar as possible, related to their intended degree.

Students attend two nights a week for the eight-week term and earn three semester hours of residence credit for the typical course. Five terms are presented each year allowing a student who attends two courses per term to earn thirty semester hours (one year of college) in a calendar year.



Art by SP4 Bobbi Naomi

## Drill instructor visits

Sergeant James A. Kasten, a better than six foot four inch model soldier and expert ceremonial drill instructor visited the Presidio last week to pass on several new marching movements to the 504th Military Police Battalion Color Guard.

The recent graduate of the University of New Mexico and veteran of 15 months duty with the Honor Guard Company of the Old Guard in Arlington, Virginia was invited here by Post Headquarters to give instruction on some of the newer Department of the Army color guard techniques.

Staff Sergeant Raymond L. Pendleton, NCOIC of the 504th color guard, was the recipient of most of the recommendations on the new tech-

niques from the former Californian and in future ceremonies we will be seeing the new drill movements from our precision-trained color guard members.

## Speak Out...

The Presidio E-5 and E-6 Promotion Board will be held on Dec. 6th and 7th. What do you think of the recent DA directive that reads in part . . . "effective Jan 1, 1973 personnel must have at least 12 months in grade prior to release or ETS."?

"I don't believe a man should have to have 12 months left in service in order to get promoted. That is the point of getting a man to stay in, giving him the rank, so that he will stay in service. But I would extended in order to be promoted because I am going to stay in."

(SP5 Edward Jenkins)

"Well, I don't believe they should do that. If a guy earns it, they should go ahead and give it to him; if he doesn't, they shouldn't. If they put him up for promotion, he must earn it."

(SP5 William Starnes)

"I've been in for quite sometime, and I've seen a lot of favoritism. They've promoted on that instead of what the man holds in his 201 file. I would not accept promotion with the stipulation that I must extend for nine months. I figure if a man deserved it, he earned it, why not give it to him. I, myself, wouldn't go for it. Most of the fellows in my unit would probably turn down a promotion and get out."

(Name withheld)

"I don't think the first termers are going to like it very much. But if the Army's going to go to an all Volunteer Army, I think it's forced into doing something like this, if only to retain those people who will contribute something. This new regulation might possibly retain people who have an interest. When I announced it at formation, the troops didn't take it too well. I haven't really had any comments concerning the change. The people who expected it gratuitously will be the ones to complain."

(1st Sgt. Harold Poulson)

"I feel that the man doesn't have the potential goal to better himself with the new way the promotions work. Before he had his chance because he said 'I can get that rank if I can show them that I can do my work exceptionally well. Now it's just like a civilian job. I don't have any ambition to better myself. The new regulation is going to hurt MVA, because people come in the Army for money.'"

(PFC Jack Miles)

"We have some men who are deserving of promotion, who are handicapped by the time element. For instance, we have draftees who are qualified to make E-5 and who can't be promoted until approximately two months before they ETS and they have no desire to extend in the service?"

(SSgt. Mike Ellis)

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# Basketball Season begins

Opening games of the 72-73 Intramural Basketball season saw the Letterman five take two, HHD, 504th, 61st Arty cop one apiece. On the losing end were the 115th MI, 6th Army AG, 402nd MP, and the 31st Arty.

In the first contest Bill Pleasants scored 18 points and set up a few layups in the opening game of the Intramural Competition between HHD 504th MP Bn and the 402nd MP Co to give the 504th the edge over the 402nd, 59-54.

The fast moving game took the sinking of Shilling's two foul shots to give the 504th a four point lead with 20 seconds remaining in the game and then Bob Green's foul shot gave the 504th the winning five point edge over the 402nd.

Pleasants, who led the 504th scorers with 18, made 14 of those in the first half. Davenport, with the 402nd, led his team in scoring with most of the scoring done in the first half of the game.

During the latter part of the first half the 402nd had the lead and held the offensive drives of the 504th to a limited 23 points. However, second half action proved to be more exciting, the 504th got some beautiful shooting from the outside and rebounds to put them ahead, 55-54, with one minute remaining in the game. Then with the combination of foul shots and well managed plays by the captain of the 504th, Charles Feacher, the 504th got control of the clock and retired the game with a 59-54 victory

## Shooters Winning

The newly organized Presidio Pistol Team has launched its shooting campaign for fiscal year 1973. The team is under the direction of Charles A. Schulter of the 115th MI Gp. Mr. Schulter has participated in several pistol matches during the past few weeks.

To date, the team is composed of the following members: Joshua E. Henderson, Donald Johnson, Horris Kent, Charles A. Schulter, Freddie L. King, George D. Colbert and, Joshua Moore.

In a recent match at the San Diego, California National Rifle Association the Presidio Pistol Team placed as follows: Freddie L. King placed second master on the slow fire course with the 22 caliber match. Out of a possible 199 score he fired a 191. Horris Kent placed second expert with an aggregate score of 854-24 of a possible 900.

In the center fire matches King placed second master on slow fire, first on timed fire, second on rapid fire and placed third with an aggregate score of 869. In the 45 caliber match Kent received third expert on the slow fire match. King placed first master on the National March Course with a 295 score. He also took second and third master in the rapid fire match and in the total aggregate score.

King again placed first master on the 2700 point possible aggregate score with a score of 2620.

The Presidio Pistol Team placed first on a team match with the 22 and 45 caliber in the sharpshooter division on the center fire team match.

over the 402nd MP Co.

LGH 3 squeezed by to beat the 115th MI, 54-52, in Wednesday night's second game at the Post Gym.

Victory for the LGH 3 team came in the last three seconds of play as Harold Shively shot an easy set shot from the key to retire the game with a two point victory lead.

"We played very well, considering we hadn't practiced as a team," said Rubin Dinwiddie, Jr., captain for the 61st Arty, after their victory over the 31st Arty, 74-32, at the Post Gym last Thursday night.

"We've only got three men that were on our team last year, the rest of the men are new, but played well," said Dinwiddie. "We might even have a championship team if we practice more often."

The 61st Arty dominated the whole game and kept the 31st Arty to a limited scoring chance. High point man of the game was Dinwiddie, who with comparative ease piled up 32 points to retire the game with an 84-36 victory over the 31st Arty. Jimmie Pearson, 13th Arty, racked up a few points to lead his team in points scored.

## Coverage limited

Coverage of this week's sports events and news was curtailed by the publisher's Thanksgiving schedule. We were forced to go to press on Nov. 17 for an issue dated today. Hopefully we will be able to give you current coverage in the next issue, which will be published on Dec. 8th.

## PSF wrestlers needed

The 1972-1973 Ft. Scott AAU Tournaments, now in progress, is still seeking personnel interested in participating in Open or Novice Divisions. Weight classes are: 114.5 lb., 125.5 lb., 136.5 lb., 149.5 lb., 163 lb., 180.5 lb., 198 lb., 220 lb. classes and the unlimited weight class. At the moment,



Garry Mason (8), 402nd MP Co., and Bill Pleasants (24), HHD 504th MP Bn, go up on the jump to kick-off the 1972-1973 Intramural Basketball Competition in the season's opener at the Post Gym. Larry Springs (38), 402nd MP Co, looks on. The 504th trounced the 402nd, 59-54. (U.S. Army Photo by PFC Daniel K. White)

promising team members are:

David M. Sherer, of the 51st Engr Dt, is a member of last year's All-Army Wrestling Team. David leads a contingent of Presidio wrestlers that work out at the Ft. Scott Gym for team matches and participation in several forthcoming AAU Tournaments. He is

wrestling in the 163 lb. class.

John A. Sticht, of the 170th MP Co, was a member of the Southeastern Missouri Teachers College Wrestling Team and also wrestled with the East St. Louis High School Wrestling Team. John will be wrestling with the 220 lb. class.

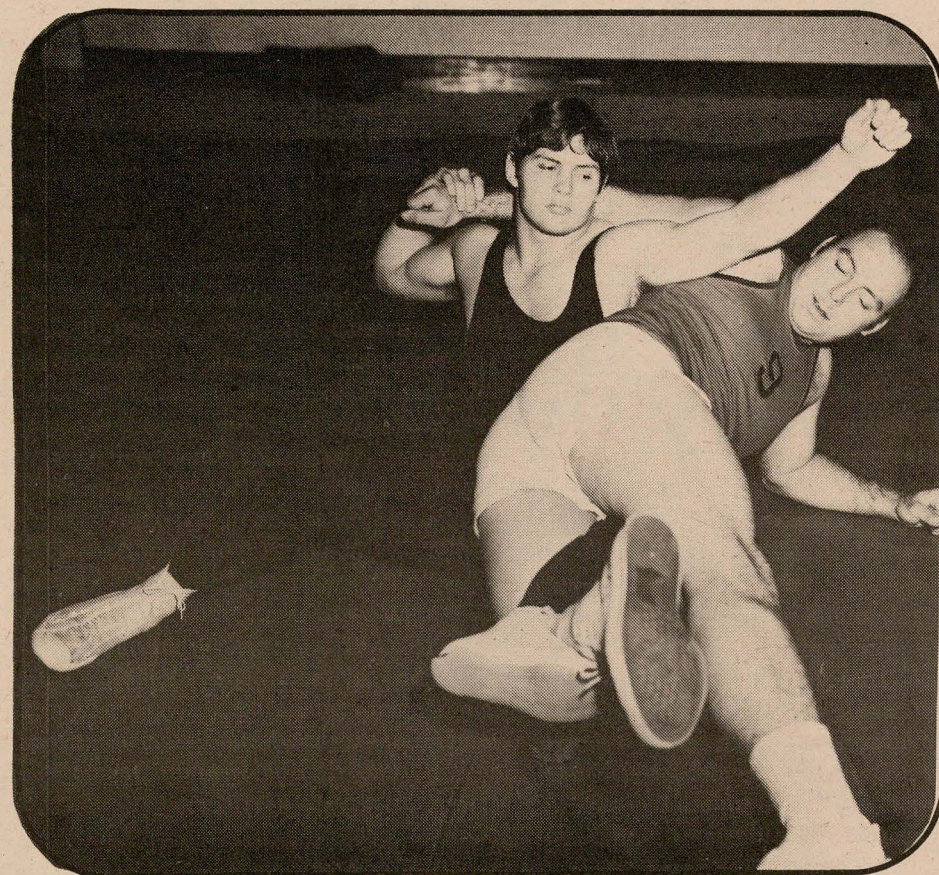
Daniel K. White, of the 6th Spt Ele (Photo Lab), from Tulsa, Oklahoma will be wrestling with the 163 lb. class. Danny has had only wrestling experience with the Tulsa, Oklahoma High School Wrestling Team.

Michael F. Faast, of the HHD 504th MP Bn, is a former Issaquah, Washington High School wrestler. Mike will be competing in the 180.5 lb. class.

Rick Benz, of the 571st MP Co, is a former Illinois State Invitational Champ and a member of the US Team at the Junior World Nationals in Tokyo. Rick will be competing in the 180.5 lb. class.

Eligibility for wrestling competition as stated in the Sports PSF SOP is as follows:

All military personnel assigned or attached to units of this command are eligible to participate in the program for individual competition or as a member of teams representing the unit to which they are assigned, or attached or, to a unit satellited on the installation. For detailed information on team composition and methods of entering call the Sports Office at Ext. 5328.



Dave Sherer, left, secures a guillotine hold on John Sticht, right, during workouts for the AAU Tournaments last week.



# Presidio club Scene active

Activities for all ages and sizes are set for this weekend at your Presidio clubs.

## NCO Club

Tonight at 8 the Main (Ft. Scott) Club features a record hop and next weekend will see Bob Jeffers on stage (Dec. 2). December 2nd is also "Soul Night."

## PSF Officers Club

Tonight the rock band, Barbury Coast, will be on stage at the Log Cab-

in and Dotte Del Prado will be at the Piano Bar in the Letterman Annex. On Dec. 1st the Elvis Duck group is slated for the Log Cabin.

## Service Club

A marathon dance will kick off tomorrow night, starting at 5. Next week a Christmas decorating party and a Circle Star Theater Tour are planned.

## Teen Club

A boys pool tournament is on tap for tonight. Tomorrow the club will sponsor a dinner-dance at the Letterman Annex from 7:30 p.m. til midnight. Everyone born in November will have their night on Nov. 30.

## Post movies

The Presidio Theater features "Ben" (PG) starring Joseph Campanella and Arthur O'Connell today. Tomorrow "City Lights" with Charlie Chaplin will be playing.

The Schwartz Theater at Letterman has "What the Pepper Saw" (R) starring Mark Lester and Britt Ekla slated for today.

## Program Synopsis

**BEN (PG)**

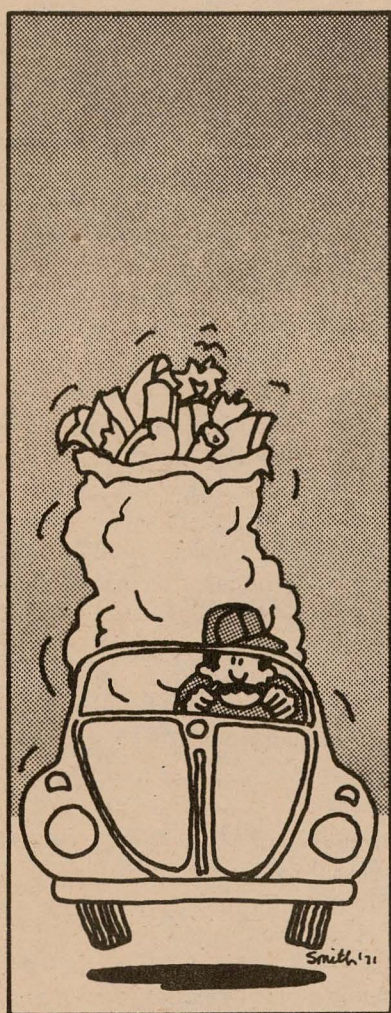
When Detective Kirtland realizes that a horrifying murder has been committed by an army of rats, he sets out to destroy them. However with the help of a ten year old boy, the army of rats led by Ben take refuge in the storm drains beneath the city. As panic spreads, a full scale battle between men and rodents begins.

**CITY LIGHTS(G)**

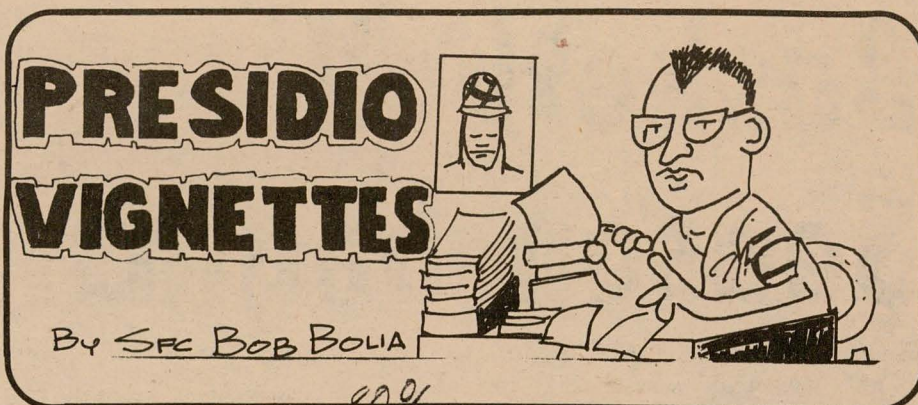
This Chaplain masterpiece is the hilarious and tender story of the little tramp who falls in love with a blind flower girl. Chaplin adds a touch of the hero to the shrewd wit of the baggy pants tramp.

**WHAT THE PEEPER SAW (R)**

In this psychological thriller, Mark Lester stars in the chilling story of a charmingly evil adolescent boy who destroys the love of his parents.



**ECOLOGY HINT  
NUMBER ONE:  
DON'T BE A ROAD PIG!  
KEEP A LITTER BAG IN  
YOUR CAR AND USE IT!  
REMEMBER...  
ECOLOGY STARTS WITH YOU!**



Had your fill of turkey and all that jazz? Get ready for some more because the Defense Supply Agency has ordered more than four million pounds of turkey plus a lot more to cover yesterday and Christmas holiday. They also ordered more than half a million pounds of shrimp, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, fruit cake and mince meat. . . ough!

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The second annual Presidio Women's Club Christmas Bazaar will be held on Dec. 2 at Harmon Hall, across from Crissy Field. Homemade gifts, food sales and games for the children will be featured. The bazaar will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. . . should be fun for all.

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China buyers beware. . . mail order buyers of dishes or for that matter anything are advised to check with the Post Judge Advocate prior to sending any cash. A few dissatisfied buyers are still waiting for goods to be delivered on orders placed last year.

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Free for everyone . . . one place where you get your dollars worth is the Presidio Service Club. Every Wed. free bridge lessons are given by resident experts and starting today they will throw in Christmas gift wrapping . . . also FREE.

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Fellowships . . . a limited number of Woodrow Wilson National Fellowships will be awarded to minority veterans who hold a bachelor's degree and wish to attend graduate or professional schools in preparation for careers of service to minority communities. Contact Project Transition for more information.

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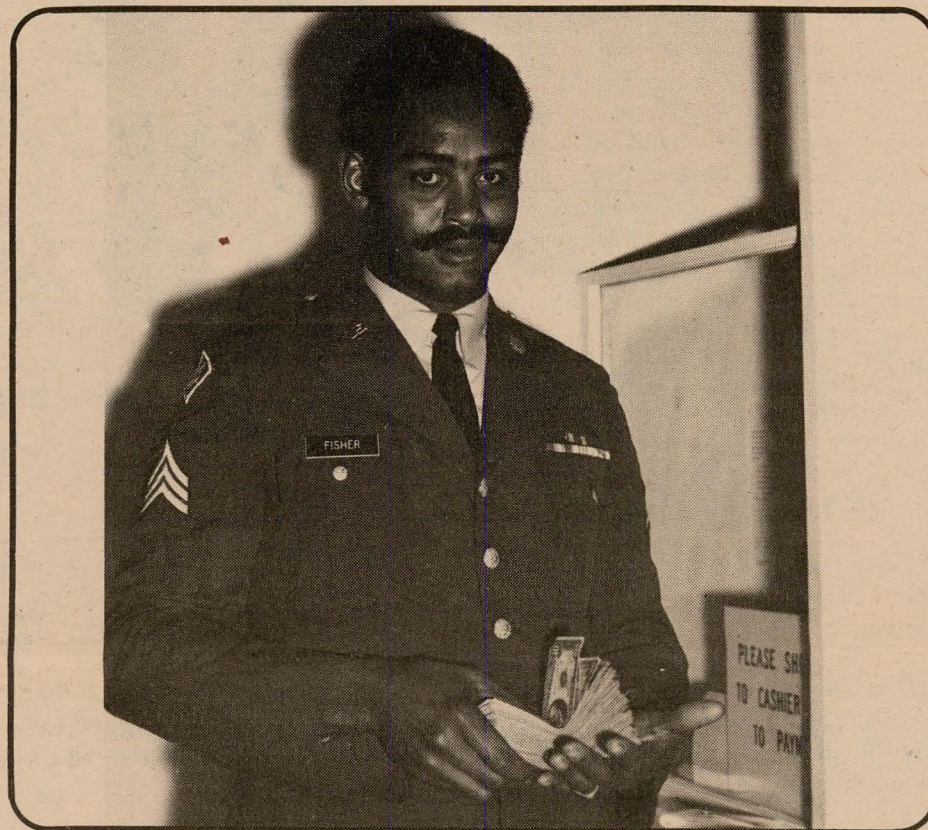
The California League for the Handicapped will host "The World's Greatest Garage Sale" in the Cow Palace on Dec. 3. Donations of clothes, electrical appliances, etc. are needed. Anyone interested in making a donation should call Ginger Miller at 668-5151.

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Record review on tap . . . next issue of the Star Presidian will feature comments from MSgt. Chet McNeese and PFC Ralph Bodden on the latest platters in both the "country" and "contemporary" music scenes. The duo holds down the Radio-TV section of the Sixth Army Public Affairs Office.

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The Junior Rifle Club is sponsoring a membership drive for boys and girls 8 through 18 years old. Meetings are held once a week during the school year. Rifles, ammunition and other shooting equipment are available at the club (Fort Scott). Call SSgt. Nelson at Ext. 5174 for more information on the club.



Acting Sgt. Carles Fisher, a forklift operator with D Co., 864th Engineer Battalion, has no complaint with his pay this month. His VRB got him \$8,000 for signing on the dotted line and reenlisting for five more years. (U.S. Army Photo)

## Sports program open

The 1972-1973 Intramural Soccer, Boxing and Wrestling competition is now in progress. Units wishing to enter a team or individual are requested to complete the form available at your company.

Soccer, Boxing and Wrestling rules have been modified for intramural competition by the Presidio Sports Division. Rules may be obtained at the Ft. Scott Gymnasium Bldg. 1226.

Equipment, shirts, shoes, etc., may be checked out at the Ft. Scott Gym. Detailed information on eligibility,

team composition methods of entering are contained in the PSF Sports SOP which reads as follows:

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## Beauty tips for distaff side

Your hair is important to you and your personality. The favored look is clean, shiny, bouncy, soft, free and healthy. Hair is beautiful if you let it be hair, and treat it with care; otherwise, it's a mess.

Hair should be comfortable; something you can take care of yourself. Style isn't nearly as important to your beauty as the good treatment and a good haircut. If you have a good haircut, your hair will look good days after it has been set. Properly cut hair is the answer to most people's hair problem.

Prior to shampooing give your hair a stiff brushing to activate oil glands

and loosen the dead scales on the scalp. Then, massage the scalp with your fingertips, using a circular motion. Now, thoroughly wet your hair with warm water and apply the shampoo, vigorously massaging your scalp. Rinse your hair madly, as soap left in the hair can be disastrous. Rinse two or three times to be sure all soap is out.

Now, you are ready to set your hair, and you can do a good job once you've got a good cut. After towel drying your hair apply the setting lotion and proceed to set your hair with rollers and clips. Dry with an electric dryer to achieve a firmer and longer lasting set.

Another step in maintaining a healthy scalp is stimulation with your fingertips to encourage circulation. One of the best treatments for the scalp is good brushing daily. Brush the hair from the nape up to the tips — never hack at your hair.

If every woman gave herself just 15-20 minutes every day for the care of her hair, she can have a healthy head and look good at all times. So girls, get your hair cut every two to three months, and then the basic care is up to you!



## Pleasants selected PSF wife of year

Joyce A. Pleasants has been selected to represent the Presidio in the 1973 Military Wife of the Year competition. The program, now in its seventh year, honors the women whose contributions to humanity best typify those made by all wives of American servicemen throughout the world. Runner-up for the nomination was Patricia S. Kelly.

Joyce is the wife of Captain William D. Pleasants, executive officer of the 504th Military Police Battalion. She is a graduate of Howard University in Washington, D.C. and was selected to be listed in the 1972 edition of the "Outstanding Young Women in America." Joyce resides on the Presidio with her husband and two children, Michael age 6 and Angela age 4.

She assisted in the presentation of the Concours d'Elegance for the benefit of the Marin County Retarded Society, the City of Hope and the Presidio Women's Club Welfare Fund. Ms. Pleasants is a volunteer supervisor with the Army Community Service coordinating the activities of 40 other volunteers who provide information, guidance, and assistance to service families.

Her interest in school matters prompted her to assist in the reorganization of the Parent Teacher Association of Hancock and Sara B. Cooper Elementary Schools of San Francisco. As treasurer of this organization she has been instrumental in raising funds for school projects and activities.

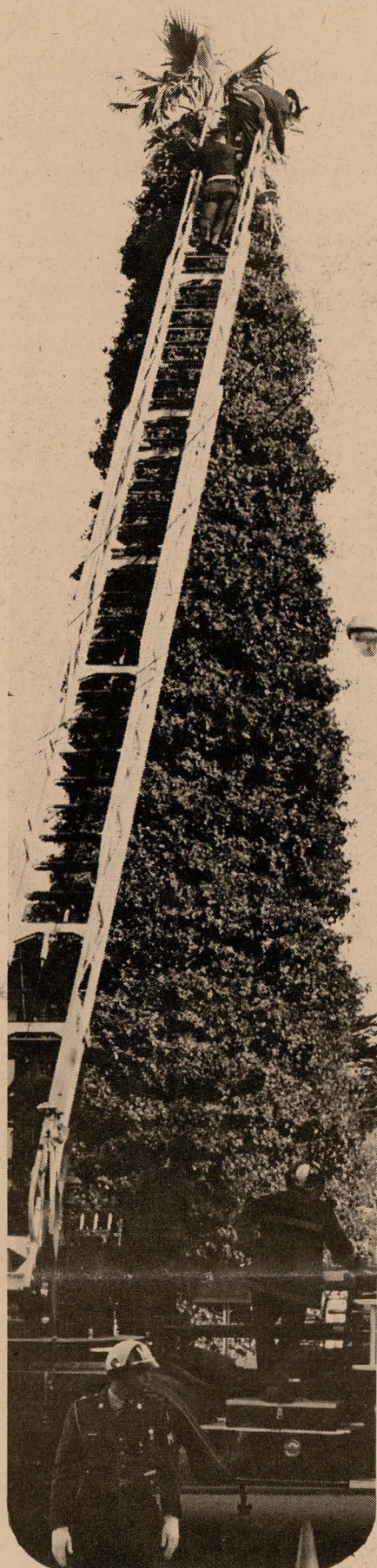
In addition to her many hours of volunteer work on post, she spends one day a week assisting a drama group and another day in her son's first grade

class helping the teacher during the individualized learning periods. In her capacity as room mother Ms. Pleasants is responsible for contacting and working with all the class mothers in sponsoring school functions and class field trips.

The Military Wife of the Year program concept stemmed from an observation by Radio-TV personality Art Linkletter during a tour of military installations. Linkletter noted the substantial voluntary efforts of military wives to develop public service programs with the civilian community. He wanted to create a program that would recognize the scope

and success of the ladies' involvement. His efforts resulted in the first Military Wife of the Year program.

Each service conducts preliminary competitions with the winners announced early in March. The five finalists (Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard) participate in a number of events prior to the selection of the winner at the annual Awards Banquet in Washington, D.C. in May. The panel of judges, selected by the General Federation of Women's clubs, includes ladies whose significant achievements are recognized by both the military and civilian communities.



This will be the scene in a few days. The tree lights will be turned on in a ceremony planned for Dec. 18. (U.S. Army Photo)

## Dining facility lauded

The D Co., 864th Engineer Bn. dining facility received the monthly Presidio Best Dining Facility award for October. The dining facility was selected by inspectors from Post Headquarters over eight other Presidio units.

The 864th dining facility, headed by SSgt. Luciano P. Dela Cruz, services both the 51st Engr. Det. and D Co. It has won the Presidio Best Dining Facility award five times this year. The dining facility also received the annual Philip A. Connelly award earlier this year.

Sergeant Dela Cruz is assisted by SP5's Sheldon Siegel, Edwin Clemons and Willie L. Charles. Specialist 4's Gary Mills and Robert Cruz round out his staff of cooks.

Inspectors base their monthly selection on sanitation standards, proper use of rations, administration, arrangement and progressive cooking methods, employed by the dining facility personnel.

Dela Cruz, a nine-year culinary veteran, attributes the success of his dining operation to the immediate

action taken by his staff to keep all equipment working. Special attention is given to assure that the milk shake and ice cream machine is always operating. He generally is able to offer beef and chicken dishes cooked over charcoal as well as by the regular method.

Time is up! The only way lettermail and packages can reach their destination by Christmas Day is via air mail. Air mail deadlines are Dec. 10 for packages and Dec. 15 for lettermail.

According to 16th Base Post Office (BPO) officials, some of the most important items to be aware of when preparing parcels for mailing include the following:

**Container** — it should be of sturdy cardboard or wood.

**Packing** — there are many materials which can be used, such as crumpled up newspaper, pop-corn, excel-



All packages must be in the mail by Dec. 10 in order to reach their destination by Christmas. Letter mail must be sent no later than Dec. 15 to arrive prior to Dec. 25.

## Last chance to mail holiday gifts

sior, styrofoam or any other type of cushioning materials that will completely protect the article from shifting or rattling.

It might be said that in most cases articles that are not repacked when sent in original purchase boxes will not withstand the type of handling necessary in the 16th BPO's San Francisco Mail Terminal.

**Exterior of the parcel** — the parcel does not have to be wrapped in paper if there is a side of the box on which a legible address can be applied. Masking or other light-weight tapes are not

acceptable as sealing materials. These can be used if other tapes such as nylon or string are used in addition. As a rule of thumb, self sticking tapes, other than nylon are not acceptable. Tapes that require wetting are acceptable.

**Addressing** — parcels are to be addressed on one side only. Zip codes are mandatory on all parcels. If the code is unknown there are directories available in the lobby of the Presidio Post Office.

The entire parcel should never be completely covered with masking tape. Stamps will not readily stick to this type of surface.



# Professional food inspectors Assure consumer protection

by Sgt Mike Clark

Ever wonder why the Presidio Commissary has such a good selection of meats? Or why the produce and dairy products are always fresh? Probably not, most everyone takes such things for granted.

The hard-working, behind-the-scenes, men who make sure that commissary customers and mess-hall patrons always have high quality food belong to the Presidio's Veterinary Division.

When most of the Presidio is awakening to Reveille, chances are Specialist 4 Joseph Wetton of the Veterinary Division is already at work inspecting the arriving produce and dairy products at the Commissary. Wetton and his assistant, Private First Class Marvin Antonie, have the responsibility of making sure that the thousands of pounds of meat and other perishable foods meet the high standards and quality required by federal law.

To insure that everything conforms to the demanding specifications, each product may be inspected as many as ten times before the customer buys it. Inspections are made from the point of origin through processing to display on the store shelf of delivery to a dining facility.

Specialist Wetton and his associates in the Veterinary Division have received as much as 18 weeks of training at the US Army Medical Department Veterinary School at Ft. Sheridan in Chicago and a lengthy period of on-the-job training here before assuming their current positions.

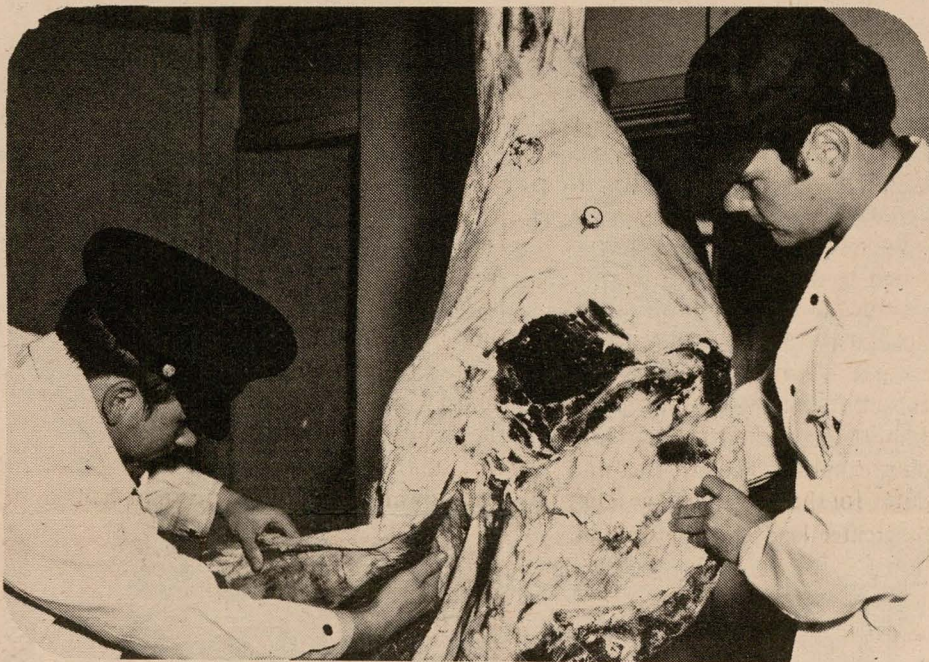
In addition to the Commissary and Mess Inspection aspects of their duty, these men maintain the quality of foods available at the Post Exchange Snack Bars and Cafeteria. While not responsible for the inspection of food preparation, a function of Preventive Medicine, they do inspect the food storage facilities of post exchange operations and of the clubs and dining facilities.

The Presidio Veterinary Division has a much larger area of responsibility than the Post alone. It is responsible for inspection of "consumables"

that are sent to overseas bases from the Military Traffic Management and Terminal Service in the Port of Oakland and for inspection and quality control of food producing establishments in Northern California, Nevada, Utah and Idaho that serve the Army and the Navy.

When the recent "All Together Now" Human Relations Festival was held here, the Veterinary Division inspected the local restaurants and catering services that provided food for the affair.

In a few weeks when everyone will be rushing about looking for the makings of a good Christmas dinner as well as worrying about all the gifts to be purchased and the arrangements to be made, patrons of the Presidio Commissary can be sure of one thing, the food they buy has been inspected by professionals.



Specialist 4 Joseph Wetton (left) and PFC Marvin Antonie of the Post Veterinary Division's Food Inspection unit examine a side of beef destined for the dinner tables of the Presidio Community. (U.S. Army Photo)

## Religious Schedule

Christmas religious events will begin on Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m. with a Protestant Women sponsored service and tree lighting ceremony. Other religious events and services are listed below.

### PROTESTANT

Dec. 17

7 p.m. Christmas Choir Concert  
Post Chapel

Dec. 24

9 a.m. Celebration Bldg. 682

9:30 Advent Celebration  
Post Chapel

9:30 Choir Concert

Fort Baker Chapel

11 a.m. Advent Celebration

Post Chapel

11 a.m. Choir Concert

Fort Scott Chapel

7 p.m. Candlelight Service

Post Chapel

7 p.m. Candlelight Service

Fort Baker Chapel

Christmas Day

10 a.m. Christmas Communion  
Post Chapel

### ROMAN CATHOLIC

Dec. 24 Regular Mass Schedule

1 to 3 p.m. Confessions

Chapel of Our Lady

11 p.m. Christmas Carols

Chapel of Our Lady

Midnight Mass

Chapel of Our Lady

7 to 8 p.m. Confessions

Fort Scott Chapel

Fort Scott Chapel

Christmas Day 9:30 a.m.

Mass - Chapel of our Lady

11 Mass - Chapel of Our Lady

11 Mass - Fort Baker Chapel

12:30 Mass - Fort Scott Chapel

## 'Harmless' toys could kill your child

Any toy can be unsafe if given to the wrong child, to a child at the wrong age, or when it is misused.

A child's safety depends on the types of toys selected, the way they are maintained, and the amount of safety training received in the home.

Bright-eyed dolls that look pretty on the store shelf, electric stoves that are just like "mother's" rattles with tiny colored balls inside . . . these toys and others seem harmless, yet with careful inspection, you may find they are actually a threat to your child's safety.

Although complete statistical information is not available, the U.S. Public Health Service estimates that 700,000 children are injured each year as a result of accidents from toys. There are Federal and State laws regarding safety standards, but nevertheless many potentially dangerous toys are being sold, so it's wise to check before buying.

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Avoid toys that have sharp edges and protrusions, such as a bird with a pointed beak that can be jabbed in your child's eyes.

Remove any splinters or projecting nails from boxes or other equipment before giving them to your child. Select toys with rounded edges and smooth surfaces.

Make sure that plastic is used and not plate glass in toy car, truck, or air-

plane windows.

Avoid toys that are poorly constructed, like a rattle that could break apart and free little balls for the child to swallow, and noise makers and squeaker toys with metal mouth pieces or squeakers that fall out.

Avoid toys that have detachable parts, such as button eyes that your child can put in his ears, nose, or mouth. Dolls with embroidered or firmly glued eyes are safer.

Check to see that stuffed toys are filled with hygienic material that is washable and can be changed.

Avoid dolls with fluffy trimmings that the child can pull off and put in his mouth.

Look for the UL (Underwriters Laboratories) seal on electrical toys. It shows that the toy has been tested for

safety of its electrical parts.

### OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT

Although there is no specific age when a child starts using playground equipment, skates, bikes or other outdoor toys, he should be old enough to know the dangers of such equipment and be taught to follow certain rules:

Bicycles, tricycles, or sleds should not be used where there is traffic, and should be used carefully in areas where other children are at play.

Roller skates should be taken off before crossing the street.

You should see to it that swings and other playground equipment are firmly placed in the ground away from walls and fences, and out of the direct line of automobile or pedestrian traffic.

## Speak Out...

The STAR PRESIDIAN roving reporter for this week is Albert Schilf. His question . . . Many feel that Christmas is too commercialized. What are your views on the subject?

"It's great for some people but for most it's just another holiday. It has no meaning. Some people feel it is just time off from work. It has lost its meaning in the last few years." (SP4 Gary McNeely)

"It always costs me a lot of money. I have five children and with a family that size you have to prepare early. I don't worry if firms advertise too much because I plan ahead and know what I am going to purchase anyway. Christmas has always been commercialized. Since I was a child, Christmas advertising campaigns have begun on Thanksgiving. This custom hasn't changed in the past 20 years." (SSgt. Harold Webb)

"It is too commercialized. I think people tend to forget about the human side of the event . . . the love. Too much emphasis is placed on the exchange of gifts. People should do more things like take someone out to dinner or invite a person to their house that would normally be alone at Christmas." (SP6 Sirretha Joy)

"It's too commercialized. Stores benefit more than people. I don't really believe in Christmas. I don't celebrate it at all. It's just too expensive. I celebrated the event when I was young but do not celebrate any more." (Marva Jenkins, DAC)

"Christmas has left the home. Decorations are no longer made at home, they are purchased. Toys sold are dangerous. Christmas should be put back in the home and celebrated as a family." (SP6 John Brents)

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Tom Daley, of the 170th MP Co, scrambles for yardage in action that led to the playoffs. The 170th MP Co won the Presidio League Championship but, was defeated during the Post Championship playoffs by LGH 1 and LGH 3. (U.S. Army Photo)

## LGH#1 Post flag football champs

The 1972 Post Flag football Champs, Letterman General Hospital 1, despite an explosive first of two games and a loss to the 6USA Support Element, came back to edge the 6 Army 11 in the final playoff on November 21st.

With minutes remaining in the last of two games, the LGH offense exploded with a 60-yard bomb from quarterback Dave Kroll to Dennis Oliver who cradled the pigskin in safety for the tally. Both defenses battled throughout the second game allowing little running and passing from both sides in the first three quarters.

The 6 Army 11 were up for the first game and led throughout the contest. Quarterback Phil Bodenhorn connected repeatedly to Bob West and Don Willis who displayed an excellent effort in contributing to the first game victory over LGH 1, 32-20.

Their offensive drive sparked by a 45 yard pass reception and run by Bob West that tied up the score 6-6 in the first quarter of play. LGH went to the air and found "Clutch" Keener's awaiting hands for a 40 yard reception

and touchdown. This set up their extra point that put them ahead 13-6.

A kick-off return by Don Willis for 60 yards kept the 6 Army 11 threatening, 13-12, in the last minute of play in the first half. The kick-off return fired up the 6 Army offensive drive in the second half to set up a short pass to Dennis Smreck and two extra points which put them ahead 20-13. From there it was a 6 Army game all the way. Quarterback Bodenhorn connected on several short passes and finally Dave Flemming caught a 30 yard toss and hustled it in for the tally that gave them an even greater lead over Letterman, 26-13.

LGH wasn't out of the game yet, Tony Bell ran one in for the score after a 50 yard kickoff return by a teammate that set up the score, 26-20.

Finally, with less than one minute left to play, Don Willis clinched a 20 yard pass from Bodenhorn to give the 6 Army a 32-20 victory over LGH.

LGH came back in the second game to clinch the 1972 Post Flag Football Championship Title after edging the 6 Army with a 6-0 victory.

## 13th Arty edges 16th BPO

The 13th Arty edged the 16th BPO, 48-44, in Monday afternoon's point-for-point basketball game played at the Post Gym.

The victory over the 16th BPO moved them from a 1-3 to a 2-3 record as opposed to the 1-3 record the 16th BPO now has after this loss. The 13th Arty is now scheduled to meet the 6USA Med Lab.

Mike Perry and Duke grant, of the 13th Arty, were hot as pistols throughout the night connecting basket after basket from all angles both outside shots and some great drive shots. They both tied with 18 points each to be the leading scorers of the game. Forward Don Delancy, of the 16th BPO, was also hot handed racking up 15 digits on the scoreboard for his team.

Seesaw! That's the way the game went up until the last few minutes of play when the 13th Arty started gaining control of the backboard and scoreboard. The 13th Arty got sparked by a sudden four point lead in the middle of the final half as Mike Perry connected for two, after one of his

teammates had given them a two point lead, to make it 40-36.

Immediately after Perry sank the two points, Duke Grant rebounded a 16th BPO attempt and drove in for two more points to give them a comfortable 42-36 lead with about three minutes remaining. 16th BPO narrowed the lead with some spectacular rebounds by forward Bob Pishof sparking a couple of drives to make it 46-44 with 38 seconds remaining in the game. Then, with five seconds left to play, Mike Perry made a final attempt driving for the final two points retiring the game to a 48-44 Arty victory over the 16th BPO.

### TOPS in the Standings Presidio League

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| 1 GH No. 3         | 3-0 |
| 571st MP Co        | 3-0 |
| Hq Garrison        | 3-1 |
| Ft. Scott League   |     |
| 504th MP Bn        | 5-0 |
| 61st Arty          | 3-1 |
| 402nd MP Co        | 2-1 |
| Golden Gate League |     |
| Public Health Ser. | 4-0 |
| 1 GH No. 4         | 2-0 |
| Spt File (AG)      | 2-1 |

# Star Presidian Sports

## Mather AFB rips PSF

The talented Mather AFB Basketball team, of Sacramento, California ripped the surprised Presidio Basketball team, 95-81, in a spectacular display of man-on-man basketball last Friday night before a small crowd of spectators at the Post Gym.

Piloting the Mather 11's scoring spree was Tom Flood, guard, who racked up 28 points on the scoreboard to be the leading scorer of the game. Forward Colt Cornwell, also of Mather, put up 21 digits for himself placing him the second leading scorer.

Forward Rubin Dinwiddie, team captain, helped light-up the scoreboard for the Presidio with 20 points tying-up with Mike Van Train for the leading scorers for the Presidio team.

The Presidio team led throughout the first half of the seesaw game and Mather was threatened in the last 25 seconds of the first half as captain, Jimmy Myers dipped one-of-two foul shots to tie up the score 40-40. Then with two seconds left in the half, Rubin Dinwiddie stopped the threat as he fired a 35-footer from the far side of the key to give the Presidio team the half time lead, 42-40.

Mather AFB dominated the scoreboard throughout the second half after they took a comfortable 12 point lead early in the half. They broadened their lead toward the end of the final half

with Tom Flood scoring 14 of his 28 points. But, the Presidio team got fired up and narrowed the lead as Johnny Murray, forward, sunk 12 easy points in the last half. After that, Mather took complete control of the scoreboard racking up the final 14 point lead to win the game 95-81.

## Pistol Team places in Merced matches

The Presidio Pistol Team competed in a 1800 Aggregate Pistol Match sponsored by the San Francisco Police Revolver Club last Sunday at Lake Merced.

Individual firing contests were led by Freddie King who placed in seven different contests, while Harris Kent placed in four of the contests. Charles Schuler placed 2nd Master on the Slow Fire range with the 22 caliber.

The Presidio Pistol Team placed 2nd Master on the 22 caliber Team Match range. The team consisted of Joshua Henderson, Donald Johnson, Charles Schuler and Freddie King. It also took 2nd Master on the Center Fire Team Match range.

The next pistol match will be held at the McClellan AFB in Sacramento, California December 9-10.



Mike Perry (13) steals Bob Pishof's (23) lay up attempt. Archie Jefferson (1) awaits possible rebound. 13th Arty edged the 16th BPO 48-44. (U.S. Army Photo by SSgt A.C. Reyes)



# New Years eve parties Highlite club activities

All Presidio clubs have beefed up their schedules to provide a variety of holiday activities. The calendar of events will be topped off with New Years parties at both the officer and enlisted clubs.

### NCO CLUB

The NCO Club is sponsoring a New Years Eve party to be held at Annex 2 of the Presidio Officers Club. Cost per person is \$7.50. All enlisted personnel and their guests are eligible to attend. Tickets go on sale today. No table reservations will be made, your ticket will be your reservation. Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis. An all girl orchestra will be on stage from 6 p.m. to ???

Tonight, the Four Corners rock band will perform at the Main NCO Club. On Dec. 13, 20 and 27 a Record Hop is slated. A "country" band, "Reason Why," is scheduled for Dec. 15 and 22. A childrens Christmas party with free gifts for the kids will kick off at 1 p.m. on Dec. 23.

### PSF OFFICERS CLUB

New Years Eve will have Harry

Mason and Joe Brigandi at the Main Club and the Elvis Duck performing at the Fort Scott Annex.

The Orphanage Rock band is at the Log Cabin tonight while Jack Martens entertains at the Main Club. Sunday will have Joe Brigandi at the Main Club.

## Check it out!

The Presidio Alcohol and Drug Rehabilitation and Prevention program has recently opened a Rap Center for socializing. The Up Front House, located in Bldg. T-2 across from the Post Gymnasium, is playing host to friendly get togethers.

The Center, open from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, features free coffee, music, lively discussion, or just plain relaxation.

Check it out! The Rap Center is people. Bring a friend. Meet a friend. Bring your own music if you desire. The Center is you! Up Front is open to creative ideas . . . yours . . . now!

## Elvis-dixie group climb charts

Master Sergeant Chet McNeese and Private Ralph Bodden spin the platters for the Radio Section of the 6th Army Public Affairs Office. Chet takes care of the C and W action and Ralph handles contemporary discs. Below are their pics to move up the charts.

### Country and Western

The Jazz Band of Yank Lawson and Bob Haggart have released an album, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing." This is the first of its kind . . . a Dixieland Jazz group playing Christmas music.

The group is made up of: Yank Lawson and Billy Butherfield on trumpet, Bob Haggart on bass, Bud Freeman on tenor sax, Vic Dickenson on trombone, Ralph Sutton at the piano, Bob Wither on clarinet, Eddie Hubble on trombone and Gus Johnson pounding the drums.

### Contemporary

"Elvis, as Recorded at Madison Square Garden" is climbing the L.P. charts as fast as his latest million selling single, "Burning Love." All the emotion of Elvis in person is presented on this L.P. which was recorded in June. Elvis not only performs his own hits, he belts out his version of "Proud Mary," "Polk Salad Annie," "Never Been to Spain," and many more.

## PRESIDIO VIGNETTES

By SFC BOB BOLIA



**CHRISTMAS DECORATION CONTEST** — Post Headquarters will sponsor a competition to select the best exterior Christmas decorations for both quarters and units. Prizes and other details will be announced in the Daily Bulletin.

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**HUMAN RELATIONS SCHOOL OPENS** — On Dec. 11 the first pilot class in Human Relations will be conducted. Initial classes are for unit Human Relations representatives, but the long range goal of the program is for all military personnel assigned to the Presidio to attend at least an 18 hour block of instruction.

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**SPORTS DIRECTOR HONORED** — Harold Ficher has been elected as an American Athletic Amateur Union representative to the 1976 United States Men Olympic Basketball Committee. Hal will supervise the player selections committee for the 1975 Pan American Olympic Games and the 1976 Olympics.



Santa Claus may deliver but it's Ms. Claus that does the toy ordering at the North Pole. She picks toys based on the child's age and abilities and always judges the safety factors. (ANF)

**TOUR OF PRESIDIO HOMES** — Want to see how the CG lives? The Presidio Womens Club is sponsoring a tour through his and other homes on the Presidio. Tour is slated for Dec. 20 and tickets can be purchased by contacting Ms. Urbach at Ext. 2788.

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**THANKSGIVING CHEER** — The 16th Base Post Office personnel provided 10 turkeys for needy families in San Francisco. First Lieutenant Wayne Katayama and SP4 Aaron Riley delivered the turkeys to the case workers of the San Francisco Social Welfare Department.

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**PLAYHOUSE PRESENTATION** — The San Francisco Children's Theater Association production of "The Magic Seeds" will be presented at the Presidio Playhouse tomorrow at 11 am and 1 pm. Admission is free and seating is on a first-come, first-seated basis.

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**TOP GRADUATE** — PFC James M. Mustin of the 170th MP Co. is the first honor graduate in the 504th MP Bn. Command Orientation Course. The course is designed to orientate military policemen with the Presidio and situations unique to the Post.

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**PERMANENT RECORD** — Article 15's will now be permanently entered in the 201 files of all soldiers with more than three years' service. For enlisted personnel with three or less years' service the Article 15's will be kept in the 201 file for no more than two years.

## Post movies

The Presidio Theater has daily showings at 6 and 8 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday the matinee is shown at 2 p.m.

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Today

**STAND UP AND BE COUNTED (PG)**

Adults 75c Children 35c

Jacqueline Bisset Stella Stevens

Gary Lockwood

**THE ANDERSON TAPES (PG)**

Sean Connery Dyan Cannon

Tomorrow

**THE SALZBURG CONNECTION (PG)**

Barry Newman Anna Karina Cartune

**SPECIAL MATINEE**

**CHITTY, CHITTY, BANG, BANG (G)**

Dec. 10 and 11

**ULZANA'S RAID (R)**

Adults 75c Children 35c

Burt Lancaster Bruce Davison

Dec. 12 and 13

**INNOCENT BYSTANDERS (PG)**

Stanley Baker Geraldine Chaplin

Dec. 14 and 15

**GETTING STRAIGHT (R) (Revival)**

Elliott Gould Candice Bergen

Dec. 16

**THE THING WITH TWO HEADS (PG)**

Ray Milland Rosey Grier Lantz Cartune

## Proposed new pay rates

A monthly pay boost of 6.69 percent for members of the armed forces is scheduled to go into effect on January 1st. The increase, originally slated to be effective in October, is based on a federal Civil Service pay raise of 5.14 percent. The official announcement of the amount of the military and civilian pay boosts is expected to be made shortly through publication in the Federal Register.

| PAY GRADE                                                           | YEARS OF SERVICE |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|
|                                                                     | UNDER 2          | 2       | 3       | 4       | 6       | 8       | 10      | 12      | 14      | 16      | 18      | 20       | 22       | 26       |
| COMMISSIONED OFFICERS                                               |                  |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |
| O-10                                                                | 2415.00          | 2500.20 | 2500.20 | 2500.20 | 2500.20 | 2595.90 | 2595.90 | 2794.80 | 2794.80 | 2994.90 | 2994.90 | 3195.00* | 3195.00* | 3394.20* |
| O-9                                                                 | 2140.50          | 2196.90 | 2243.70 | 2243.70 | 2243.70 | 2300.40 | 2300.40 | 2395.80 | 2395.80 | 2595.90 | 2595.90 | 2794.80  | 2794.80  | 2994.90  |
| O-8                                                                 | 1938.60          | 1996.80 | 2044.50 | 2044.50 | 2044.50 | 2196.90 | 2196.90 | 2300.40 | 2300.40 | 2395.80 | 2500.20 | 2595.90  | 2700.30  |          |
| O-7                                                                 | 1610.70          | 1720.80 | 1720.80 | 1720.80 | 1797.30 | 1797.30 | 1902.00 | 1902.00 | 1996.80 | 2196.90 | 2347.80 |          |          |          |
| O-6                                                                 | 1194.00          | 1312.20 | 1397.70 | 1397.70 | 1397.70 | 1397.70 | 1397.70 | 1397.70 | 1445.10 | 1673.70 | 1759.20 | 1797.30  | 1902.00  | 2062.50  |
| O-5                                                                 | 954.90           | 1121.70 | 1198.80 | 1198.80 | 1198.80 | 1198.80 | 1235.70 | 1301.40 | 1388.40 | 1492.50 | 1578.30 | 1625.70  | 1683.00  |          |
| O-4                                                                 | 805.20           | 979.80  | 1046.10 | 1046.10 | 1064.70 | 1112.10 | 1187.70 | 1254.90 | 1312.20 | 1369.20 | 1407.30 |          |          |          |
| O-3                                                                 | 748.20           | 836.40  | 893.70  | 989.40  | 1036.50 | 1073.70 | 1131.30 | 1187.70 | 1216.80 |         |         |          |          |          |
| O-2                                                                 | 652.20           | 712.50  | 855.90  | 884.40  | 903.00  |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |
| O-1                                                                 | 566.10           | 589.50  | 712.50  |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |
| COMMISSIONED OFFICERS WITH OVER 4 YEARS SERVICE AS ENLISTED MEMBERS |                  |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |
| O-3                                                                 | —                | —       | —       | 989.40  | 1036.50 | 1073.70 | 1131.30 | 1187.70 | 1235.70 |         |         |          |          |          |
| O-2                                                                 | —                | —       | —       | 884.40  | 903.00  | 931.50  | 979.80  | 1017.90 | 1046.10 |         |         |          |          |          |
| O-1                                                                 | —                | —       | —       | 712.50  | 760.80  | 789.30  | 817.50  | 846.30  | 884.40  |         |         |          |          |          |
| WARRANT OFFICERS                                                    |                  |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |
| W-4                                                                 | 762.00           | 817.50  | 817.50  | 836.40  | 874.50  | 912.90  | 950.70  | 1017.90 | 1064.70 | 1102.50 | 1131.30 | 1169.10  | 1207.80  | 1301.40  |
| W-3                                                                 | 693.00           | 751.50  | 751.50  | 760.80  | 770.10  | 826.50  | 874.50  | 903.00  | 931.50  | 959.70  | 989.40  | 1027.20  | 1064.70  | 1102.50  |
| W-2                                                                 | 606.60           | 656.10  | 656.10  | 675.30  | 712.50  | 751.50  | 780.00  | 808.20  | 836.40  | 865.50  | 893.70  | 922.20   | 959.70   |          |
| W-1                                                                 | 505.50           | 579.90  | 579.90  | 627.90  | 656.10  | 684.60  | 712.50  | 741.60  | 770.10  | 798.60  | 826.50  | 855.90   |          |          |
| ENLISTED                                                            |                  |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |
| E-9                                                                 | —                | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | 865.80  | 885.60  | 905.70  | 926.40  | 946.80  | 965.40   | 1016.40  | 1115.10  |
| E-8                                                                 | —                | —       | —       | —       | —       | 726.60  | 746.70  | 766.50  | 786.60  | 807.00  | 826.20  | 846.60   | 896.10   | 996.00   |
| E-7                                                                 | 507.30           | 547.20  | 567.60  | 587.40  | 607.80  | 627.00  | 646.80  | 667.20  | 697.50  | 717.00  | 736.80  | 746.70   | 796.80   | 896.10   |
| E-6                                                                 | 438.00           | 477.90  | 497.70  | 518.10  | 537.90  | 557.70  | 577.80  | 607.80  | 627.00  | 646.80  | 657.00  |          |          |          |
| E-5                                                                 | 384.60           | 418.80  | 438.90  | 458.10  | 488.10  | 507.90  | 528.00  | 547.20  | 557.70  |         |         |          |          |          |
| E-4                                                                 | 369.90           | 390.60  | 413.10  | 445.50  | 463.20  |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |
| E-3                                                                 | 355.80           | 375.30  | 390.30  | 405.60  |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |
| E-2                                                                 | 342.30           |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |
| E-1                                                                 | 307.20           |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |

\* Limited under existing law to \$3000.